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"LET ME ALONE."

Morgan Was Not Pleased to See the Reporters in London.

London, April 11.—When Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan arrived in London to-day he was met at the railway station by Mr. J. P. Morgan, jr., his two children and a number of reporters. To the latter he declined to give any information. "Let me alone, will you" he said to the group, hurried to his carriage and drove off with a grandchild on each side.

Clinking Glasses

French President and Duke of Genoa Exchange Toasts and Shake Hands.

Monsieur Loubet Will Now Go Home to Rest After the Feasting.

Parisian Press Hopes to See Good Results From Italian Fleet's Visit.

Toulon, April 11.—President Loubet to-day lunched aboard the Italian flagship Lepanto. The Duke of Genoa in toasting the Chief Executive of France, said: "Permit me, Mr. President, to express to you my acknowledgement of the very cordial and sympathetic welcome accorded by France to myself and the squadron under my command. I shall retain an unalterably happy recollection of the magnificent reception. I drink to France and to her armies on land and sea, and I also desire to express my high regard for yourself personally."

Before he resumed his seat, the Duke touched glasses with President Loubet, and the two warmly clasped hands.

President Loubet replied. "Monseigneur: I am profoundly moved by the friendship you have just expressed for the French republic and its President, and by the sympathy which you show for its army and navy. It is annecessary to repeat to you what are the feelings of the French nation towards its ally. You already know them, and I have described them to you. But I wish once more to assure you that we are profoundly touched by the evidence of friendship which His Majesty, the King of Italy has given to France by sending your squadron here."

"I drink to the health of the King Victor Emmanuel, to the Royal family, to their prosperity and to the Italian fleet. I drink also to your personal health, Monseigneur. Just now I notice in your cabinet pictures of those dear to you. Permit me to associate them with yourself in the good wishes I am now expressing, and to drink to the health of your entire family."

Paris, April 11.—At the conclusion of the festivities at Toulon, President Loubet will proceed to his home at Montelimas in the department of the Drome, to visit his aged mother and take a few days' rest after the fatigues of the many functions of the week, which have kept him occupied from early morning until late at night. As to the political side of the Franco-Italian demonstration the Temps to-night says: "The words pronounced by M. Loubet and the Duke of Genoa and especially the telegrams exchanged between M. Loubet and the King of Italy stamp the proceedings at Toulon with their true diplomatic significance. France and Italy yesterday gave one another officially the title of friends, which accords well with the fraternity of their genius and blood. This is an event which must not be distorted, not wrongly interpreted, but there is little risk of exaggeration of its importance, which, taking everything into consideration is considerable. Both Italy and France have greatly changed since the time of Bismark and Crispi. We cannot yet say what fruits yesterday will bring forth, but we augur much therefrom."

INVESTIGATING THE DISASTER

Inquiry Into Union Mines Explosion Opens Before Coroner at Cumberland.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Cumberland, April 11. — (Special)—Coroner Abrams to-night commenced the inquiry into the Cumberland mine disaster.

The government is represented by Mr. Gordon Hunter, and the Union miners by Mr. Charles E. Pooley.

Mr. Hunter announced at the opening of the inquiry that the government was determined to make a full and searching inquiry into the cause of the disaster, and invited all people who knew anything whatever that would throw light on the matter to come forward and give evidence.

The government is having the matter fully covered, bringing witnesses from Nanaimo and other points. After the formal opening, the inquest was adjourned until 11 o'clock to-morrow.

Mr. Pooley stated that he was instructed by Mr. Dunsmuir that any person able to give information in the matter was invited to come forward.

BODY FOUND AT UNION.

Supposed to Be the Lost Watchman of the Ship Eclipse.

Union Bay, April 11.—(Special)—The body of a white man was found floating in the water at the coal wharf, Union Bay, this afternoon. The body is in an advanced stage of decomposition, and is supposed to be that of E. Rogers, the watchman of the ship Eclipse, which sailed from here on February 15. That vessel reported her watchman missing on February 12. He was supposed to have deserted, and was described on the ship's articles as a native of Victoria, B.C., age 36; brown complexion. Coroner Abrahams has taken charge of the remains.

GAMBLING AFLOAT.

Swindlers Detected Aboard the Liner Teutonic.

Liverpool, April 11.—A gambling scandal occurred on the steamer Teutonic, which arrived here from New York this morning. Two first class passengers were caught cheating at poker. They secured considerably over £200, but were obliged to make restitution. The same men were discovered swindling in the pools of the ship's daily run, and were forced to give back a check for £50, which they had gained in this manner. Upon the Teutonic's arrival at Liverpool the swindlers were allowed to proceed with a warning.

INTERNATIONAL SPORTS.

Track Events Between English and United States Universities.

London, April 11.—The reply of Oxford and Cambridge to the challenge of Harvard and Yale for a series of track games this summer, agrees that New York should be the place of meeting, and that the programme should be the same as in 1899, except that the three miles run be changed into a two mile run. Only those eligible to enter the intercollegiate course of 1901 are to be eligible to take part in this contest. But the English athletes have rejected the proposition to increase the programme from nine to eleven events, on the ground that the pole vault and 220 yards high hurdles are not in vogue in the Oxford and Cambridge sports, and the putting of the weight, for which event Harvard and Yale suggested that two be chosen to revise the programme, has been reluctantly included in the Oxford and Cambridge sports. It is also pointed out that an increased programme would mean a more numerous team and heavier expenses, and it would be more satisfactory to have a return meeting with exactly the same events as decided at the Queen's Club in 1899. It is hoped the Americans will agree to have the match the latter part of September.

KOOTENAY DELEGATION.

They Will Interview Dominion Government on Monday.

Ottawa, April 11.—(Special.)— The Kootenay delegation has made an appointment with the government for next Monday. They will ask a bounty of $5 per ton for smelting and refining of silver-lead ores for three years.

Crow's Nest Southern Bill

Causes an Interesting Discussion in the Railway Committee at Ottawa.

Decision Not Arrived at But Goes Over for Another Day.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, April 11.—The consideration of the Crow's Nest Southern bill drew a packed committee room this morning.

The feature of the meeting was the strong stand taken by Mr. Tarte, who assured the committee that the government and company were not able to come to terms, and asked the committee to make it agree not to play Canadian interests into the hands of the Americans.

Mr. Lash, of Toronto, solicitor for the promoters, explained the objects of the bill. He said that last year not a ton of their coke was used in British Columbia. This placed the company in the position to have to stop manufacturing for the past year. The present output for Canadian consumption is 500 tons of coal and 300 tons of coke per day. So long as the coal was in the ground it was valueless. To find a market and mine the coal meant the expenditure of a vast sum of money in Canada. With this additional means of reaching the market demand and supply would vastly increase, and, he believed, would soon reach 1,000 tons of coke per day. The payroll last year was $440,000; supplies bought in Canada $500,000; output of coal, 220,000 tons; output of coke, 72,000 tons. Under the conditions sought, the payroll in the near future would be at least $10,000 a day.

Mr. Tarte said the question was one of the gravest the committee was ever called upon to decide. Mr. J. J. Hill's name was well known as a good one for United States interests. Hill had disposed of three-tenths of his interests to Pierpont Morgan, which was a menace to Canada.

The company had 200,000 acres of the best coal lands, and if it wanted to reach United States markets with Canadian coal, it should immediately assure the committee of protection for Canadian interests. The stock was on the market and if the bill was passed to-morrow Messrs. Morgan and Hill would probably buy up the other interests and choke off the Canadian smelting industry. He urged the committee not to go any further without the agreement being made to-day.

The discussion hinged on this point, and finally the bill went over.

In the house this afternoon Mr. Sifton announced that the Dominion's fifty thousand acres would be selected this year.

THE GOLD THIEF.

Sharp Scheme of Men Who Plundered Wilhelm der Grosse.

Bremen, April 11.—Officers of the North German Lloyd SS. Co. are satisfied that the gold recently stolen from the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse was abstracted in the afternoon; the barrels containing two millions of marks were placed in the strong room, and the following morning when the passengers' baggage was stowed, making access to the door of the specie room most difficult. The officers of the ship believe that the thief allowed himself to be locked up in the baggage room after the gold was deposited in the strong room, and managed to take the booty ashore during the confusion of arriving passengers and the stowing away of the baggage.

BISLEY TEAM.

Lieutenant-Colonel Tilton Will Go in Command.

Ottawa, Ont., April 11.—(Special.)—Lieut.-Col John Tilton, chairman of the executive of the D. R. A., will command this year's Bisley team. Col. Tilton commanded the Canadian Wimbledon team some 20 years ago. Major Orchard, 48th Highlanders, Toronto, and Capt. Munro, 90th Winnipeg, are spoken of for the adjutancy.

The special committee of the Senate on the Cook charges meet next Tuesday week. Further testimony will be forthcoming. M. G. Cameron, son of the late S. M. C. Cameron, is here, and is likely to take the stand.

BOERS NOT WANTED.

Australian Cabinet Unfavorable to Sending Them to Tasmania.

Melbourne, Victoria, April 12.—The federal cabinet in its first session today, decided that it was unable to recommend the suggestion of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, the colonial secretary, that Boer prisoners be sent to Tasmania.

Excludes U. S. Beef

Report That No More Will be Used in British Army Contracts.

Comes Like a Bolt From the Blue and Causes a Panic.

Chicago Is Alarmed at the Prospect of Losing Its Market.

Washington, April 11.—The department of agriculture has received a despatch from a prominent packing company of Chicago, announcing that they have just been advised that the British government has excluded all beef except home-bred from the British army contracts. This, it is stated, is to be effective June 1 next.

The Chicago concern asked the agricultural department for any assistance it can render. It has pointed out that the action of the British government is a severe blow to United States beef and cattle exporters and producers, and means not alone the loss in the government trade; it is feared it will serve very materially towards inciting a prejudice on the part of the people of Great Britain against the beef and cattle of this country.

No official information of this reported contemplated move has reached the department, according to statements of officials, this afternoon.

To demonstrate the importance of the move now said to be contemplated, it is pointed out that the value of our exports of live animals to Great Britain amounts to $40,000,000, while the total of animal products exported from the United States to Great Britain is stated to be in round numbers, $200,000,000.

It is pointed out here that this proposed embargo may really be a sequel in greater or less degree to the proceedings instituted at New Orleans against shipments of horses and mules from that port for use in the South African campaign.

MESSAGES OF REGRET.

Telegrams Received by Family of Late J. C. McLagan.

Vancouver, April 11.—(Special)—Telegrams of regret were received by Mrs. J. C. McLagan to-day from Premier Laurier, Sir L. H. Davies, Hon. W. S. Fielding, George R. Maxwell, Ralph Smith, Aulay Morrison and Senator Templeman.

A special meeting of the council was adjourned to-day out of respect to Mr. McLagan. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon and the St. Andrews' and Caledonian Societies will take entire charge.

THEIR WEDDING TOUR.

Prince and Princess of Asturias Start Somewhat Late on Their Travels.

Madrid, April 11.—The Prince and Princess of the Asturias, who have been here since their marriage, started for Saragossa last night, on their wedding tour. They will also visit Lourdez, the Riviera, Paris, Rome and Vienna, and expect to return to Madrid about the middle of May, for King Alfonso XIII's birthday.

THE RICE MURDER CASE

Decision in Patrick Preliminary Hearing Reserved—Bound Over for Forgery.

New York, April 11.—Lawyer Moore prefaced his argument in behalf of Patrick to-day by asking Justice Jerome to discharge the accused lawyer from custody on four grounds. The purport of these was that the prosecution had failed to establish the fact that a crime had been committed, that if a murder had been perpetrated, the people had utterly failed to connect Patrick with it, and that there was not sufficient corroborative evidence of the statements made by the valet, Jones, whom, Moore said, was a self-confessed murderer, a liar and possibly a perjurer. Mr. Moore contends that there was an absence of material facts in the evidence which would tend to connect Patrick with the killing of Rice in corroboration of Jones. As to the question as to conspiracy, he said the testimony of a conspirator was not sufficient to hold the accused.

Justice Jerome then announced that he would reserve his decision in the case until he read over the testimony and the legal authorities in regard to it. Justice Jerome said that he was going out of town this Saturday and Sunday, and would render a decision as to the disposition of the case against Patrick some time on Monday next.

The charges of forgery against Patrick, Short and Meyers were taken up at the request of the Assistant District Attorney. Lawyer Moore asked for a few minutes delay, during which he had an earnest conversation with the three prisoners. He then announced to the court that they had agreed to waive examination, and Justice Jerome ordered new commitment papers to be made out for each of them. In the cases of Meyers and Short, Justice Jerome committed them to the Tombs to await the action of the grand jury, and fixed bail at $10,000 each. In Patrick's case, on the charge of forgery, Justice Jerome said that bail in his case could be applied for later on in the court of general sessions, as he stands under a serious charge.

THEY LIKE HIM.

Inspector Barrett Dined at Winnipeg by Inland Revenue Officers.

Winnipeg, April 11.—(Special.)— A complimentary dinner was tendered last night to Dr. J. K. Barrett, inspector of inland revenue for the division of Winnipeg, Port Arthur and Calgary, by the officers of his department. After the dinner Dr. Barrett was presented with a magnificent life-size oil portrait of himself, with the compliments of the officers under his jurisdiction.

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Aguinaldo to The Torture

Strange Assertions Made by Filipinos Against U. S. Officers.

Junta Meeting in London Decides to Appeal to the Powers.

London, April 11.—At a secret meeting of the Filipino Junta held here today, 36 representative Filipinos from Madrid, Barcelona, Paris and Brussels were present.

The meeting considered a telegram from the Singapore Junta, which said that Gen. Macarthur was prepared to torture Aguinaldo unless he took the oath of allegiance to the United States and signed the peace proclamation. The Singapore Junta urged those present at this London meeting to formulate a circular of protest direct to European powers.

It describes in detail the engines of torture that were being erected by the Americans at the Malacan palace at Manila. The meeting professed intense anxiety over this telegram from Singapore in spite of the publication here on April 2 of a despatch to the effect that Aguinaldo had already sworn allegiance to the United States.

The meeting adjourned pending receipt of a report that the tortures had actually been inflicted upon Aguinaldo, when it is said their protest to the European courts would be filed, if the Singapore Junta so advised.

The Filipino leaders here ridicule the idea that the arrest of Aguinaldo will put a stop to the insurrection in the Philippines.

Iloilo, Island of Panay, April 11.—Gen. Martin Delago, chief insurgent commander in the Island of Panay until his surrender in January, has been appointed governor of the province of Iloilo, created by the United States Philippine commission to-day. His salary will be $3,000 in gold, the highest of any province.

Washington, April 11.—The war department this morning received the following cablegram: "Manila, April 11.—Col. Arce surrendered yesterday, 335 soldiers, 12 officers and arms. Col. Alva surrendered at Olongapo, April 8, with 13 officers, 394 men and 92 rifles. This frees Battan and Zambales provinces. (Signed) Macarthur."

LAKE CARRIERS' TROUBLE.

Marine Engineers Deny They Are Trying to Disrupt Association.

Detroit, April 11.—After holding conferences yesterday with President Uhler, of the Marine Engineers' Association, the local unions last night issued a statement in which they denied that the great object of the engineers was to disrupt the Lake Carriers' Association. They said they simply wanted the members of that association to use their influence with the executive committee to have the demands of the engineers granted; that if this were not done the owners must leave the association, as there was no reason for the owners giving the engineers what they asked, and at the same time attempting to live up to the classification of the carriers.

VENEZUELA.

Mr. Loomis Believes There Is No Prospect of Revolution.

San Juan de Porto Rica, April 11.—Answering a question on the subject, Mr. Loomis, United States minister at Venezuela, who arrived to-day, said he saw no necessity for sending the United States squadron to Venezuelan waters, though he admitted that it was possible this might be done. Venezuela is now quiet and there is no immediate prospect of a revolution. The minister believes President Castro is capable of handling the situation. He did not deny that a certain anti-American ring would be glad to see him recalled. Mr. Loomis thought there was nothing serious in the situation. Press despatches from Caracas are strictly censored.

DARCEY ISLAND LEPERS.

Dominion Hold Out No Hopes of Assuming Their Care.

Ottawa, April 11.—(Special)—The Commons discussed the estimates of Hon. Mr. Fisher's department all evening.

Col. Prior strongly urged that the Darcey Island lepers should be cared for by the Dominion, as the government got a large revenue out of the Chinese. Mr. Fisher said the question was a provincial one, and he held out no indication that the Dominion would assume the obligation.

Mr. Sproule strongly supported Col. Prior's views.

MANITOBA RAILWAY DEAL.

Report That Jim Hill Is Trying to Spoil It.

St. Paul, April 11.—The Pioneer Press says. "Word has escaped from an authoritative source that J. J. Hill has interposed to prevent the sale of the Northern Pacific lines in Manitoba, and that he has, under the new order of things, other plans for these lines. Just what these plans are, is not disclosed. It is said that all parties concerned are waiting the outcome of the Hill-Morgan-Burlington deal. Orders have been issued by those in control of the Northern Pacific to let proceedings rest for the present."

METHODIST CENTURY FUND.

Nearly a Million and a Quarter Dollars Subscribed.

Toronto, April 11.—(Special)—Rev. Dr. Carman presided at a meeting of the Methodist Board of the Twentieth Century Thanksgiving Fund. The meeting was largely attended and was harmonious and enthusiastic. The board formally expressed its approbation of the valuable services rendered by Rev. Dr. Potts in his leadership of the movement. The general report showed that $1,200,000 had been subscribed, of which $800,000 had been already paid in. All but $25,860 of the fund was located, as follows: Three-quarters for church debts and one quarter for connexional funds. The remainder is to be divided equally among the following colleges: Columbia college, New Westminster, B.C.; Wesleyan, Winnipeg; Wesleyan Theological college, Montreal; Albert college, Belleville; Mount Allison, N. B.; St. John's, Nfld., and Alma Ladies' College, St. Thomas.

COMBINATION WAVE.

Telephone Companies on a Large Scale Are United.

Baltimore, Md., April 11.—Final steps were taken to-day in the big telephone consolidation scheme engineered by the syndicate headed by George Webb, of this city. At the meeting of the directors of the United Telegraph & Telephone Co., to-day, the following properties were acquired: Maryland Telephone & Telegraph Co., capital stock, $1,000,000; Pittsburg & Allegheny Telephone Co., capital stock, $1,500,000; West Pennsylvania Long Distance Telephone Co., capital stock $1,000,000; Home Telephone & Electric Co., capital stock, $200,000; Allegheny City Telephone Co. capital stock, $200,000; Hartford County Telephone Co., capital stock $10,000. In all, about 500,000 'phones, either in actual operation or under contract awaiting installation, will go into the combination.

DIVIDING STRENGTH.

Vancouver Fears It Cannot Secure Two First Class Lacrosse Teams.

Vancouver, April 11.—(Special)—There is an impression growing in the city that there is not room for two senior lacrosse teams, and it was not the best thing in the world for lacrosse that the Vancouver team was divided, for there is a danger of Vancouver having two mediocre teams instead of one first class one.

Three septic tanks are now installed in Vancouver and are in good working order. Inquiries regarding the system adopted by Vancouver to dispose of her sewage are coming from all over the continent, and scientific journals are asking for a description of the system as it is installed.

WHY HE RESIGNED.

Wurtemburg Minister of War Mixed Up in a Scandal.

Stuttgart, April 11.—Baron Schott von Schottenstein, minister of war for Wurtemburg, concerning whom reports of resignation under pressure and of suicide pending painful disclosures, were made last month, resigned his portfolio to-day. For nine years Baron von Schott von Schottenstein, who is a general of the infantry, was minister of war for Wurtemburg. Last month a woman was arrested, at whose fashionable residence it was alleged scandalous orgies occurred. Baron von Schottenstein was accused of being one of the participants.

WEST HASTINGS.

E. G. Porter, Conservative Candidate for the Vacant Seat.

Belleville, April 11.—The West Hastings Conservatives met here to-day in convention and selected E. Gus Porter as their candidate to succeed Mr. Corby in the house of commons. Others who were mentioned were ex-Mayor Johnson and ex-Warden J. S. Deneh. The vote stood: Porter 92, Deneh 25, and Johnson 18. The two latter retired, giving nomination to Porter by a unanimous vote.

NEW BRIDGE.

First Cable of the New York Structure Raised Yesterday.

New York, April 11.—The first cable of the new East river bridge was raised from the bed of the river at one o'clock to-day and drawn taut by a powerful engine until it was one hundred and twenty feet above the surface of the water.

HAMILTON FIRE.

Morgan Brothers Burned Out Loss Fifty Thousand Dollars.

Hamilton, April 11.—(Special)—Fire to-night destroyed the business of Messrs. Morgan Bros., wholesale manufacturers of saddlery and whips, and dealers in flour and feed, on John street, south; the loss is estimated at nearly $50,000.

STUDENTS' DEMONSTRATIONS

Berlin Paper Says They Have Spread to Siberia.

Berlin, April 11.—The Vorwaerts, the Socialist organ, asserts that the students' demonstrations in Russia have spread to Siberia and that 300 students recently paraded in Tomsk, singing revolutionary songs.

LORD SALISBURY.

Is Resting in Retirement at His Villa in Nice.

Nice, April 11.—Lord Salisbury has not left the grounds of his villa at Beaulieu since his arrival. Several members of his family arrived there to-day.

Clearing out ladies' costumes at The White House—good chance to get a bargain.

AT ALL BARS AND RESTAURANTS

MARTELL'S THREE STAR BRANDY.

OF ALL WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

Court Martial For Surrender

War Office Issues a Special Order Regarding Hoisting White Flag.

No Further News Received About Peace Negotiations With Botha.

London, April 12.—The British War Office has issued the following special order regarding surrenders in the field: "Any officer, or soldier, who, when in the presence of the enemy, displays a white flag or other token of surrender, will be tried by general court martial."

No further news has been received regarding the reported resumption of peace negotiations in South Africa, but the fact that the censor allowed the report to pass and the fact that the government has not issued a denial are held to prove that negotiations of some sort are in progress.

The casualty list issued yesterday revealed the fact that Lord Methuen was discharged from the hospital last week, this being the first notification that he had been ill.

There is no information from South Africa beyond the fact that the British have evacuated Hoopstad, which the Daily Mail observes "seems to show that Lord Kitchener's force is none too strong."

It is announced from Brussels that the Dutch Transvaal commission has handed to Mr. Kruger a check for 1,000,000 florins collected in Holland for the assistance of the Boers. It appears that Mr. Kruger's entourage assert that the route from Leydsdoran to Zoupansberg is heavily fortified, and able to resist the British for a long time.

A news agency this afternoon publishes a despatch from Capetown confirming a despatch on the same subject cabled to the Associated Press yesterday, which says that Gen. Dewet is so distracted by the hopelessness of his case that he can be fully described as insane. He goes in fear of his life amidst his own troops, and keeps himself surrounded night and day by a bodyguard of chosen adherents. But from his own ranks voices are now more frequently heard calling imperatively for peace.

U. S. APPOINTMENTS.

Several New Consuls Named by President McKinley.

Washington, April 11.—The President to-day made the following appointments: Robt. P. Skinner, of Ohio, to be consul general of the United States at Marseilles, France; Oliver J. D. Hughes, of Connecticut, to be consul general of the United States at Coburg, Germany; and Francis B. Gessner, of Ohio, to be consul general of the United States at Zittau, Germany.

NICKEL DEAL.

Hamilton Company Buys Out Some Sudbury Properties.

Hamilton, April 11.—It is announced that the Nickel Copper Co., of Hamilton, has bought the McConnell nickel properties in Sudbury district for $300,000 and will at once develop them on a large scale.

THE OPHIR.

Duke and Duchess of Cornwall Are Now at Ceylon.

Ceylon, April 11.—The Ophir, with the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York on board, arrived here this morning, on the way to Australia.

TO BETTER ADVANTAGE.

Neill Company Appear at the Victoria in "A Social Highwayman."

The Neill Company were seen to far better advantage in "A Social Highwayman" than they were in "Nell Gwynn," but the audience was not as large last evening as it was on Wednesday. In the first place, the part of Courtice Jaffray suits Mr. Neill much better than does that of Richmond, and Miss Chapman is likewise more at home in the more serious role of Senora Caprices than she is as Nell. The same might be said of Mr. Morris, but perhaps not to as great an extent. However, the theatre-goers cannot regret that the company gave both plays, for it gave them an opportunity of comparing them. Last evening's performance was a great success. The company which supports Mr. Neill is a thoroughly capable one, and the plays are staged in an artistic and finished manner. The settings are very handsome and the attention to detail is most marked, while the costumes of the women, particularly those of Miss Chapman, are particularly pretty.

Much of the heavy work in "A Social Highwayman" falls on Mr. Neill as Courtice Jaffray, who takes advantage of the confidence reposed in him by his friends in society to rob them of their jewels, and who, falling in love, decides to change his ways, but too late, as he has aroused the jealousy of Caprice, Senora Caprices (Miss Chapman) who, although foiled in her first attempt to expose him, by his servant Jenkins Hanby (Robert Morris) finally has her revenge in seeing him forced into a position where he has to acknowledge his guilt. The manner of his ending is novel. He is not taken off by detectives nor is he given an opportunity to take his own life, but the convenient falling of some masonry as he walks away from the company to whom he has just confessed, gives him the chance to save the life of Elinor Burham, for love of whom he had decided to mend his ways. In saving her life, however, he loses his own.

One is liable to lose interest in the plot after the second act, when the servant, having seemingly prevented Senora Caprices from exposing Jaffray, by threatening to tell the world that she had married a second time before her first husband was dead. But the Senora finds other ways of getting her revenge and the interest is kept up to the last, the audience being kept guessing as to how the villain-hero will come out. The minor parts were all well taken.

After the grip or other serious illness, Hood's Sarsaparilla is the medicine to take to restore the appetite and strength.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

Le Patrie of Paris, in a St. Petersburg despatch, states that Yang Yu, the Chinese minister, cruelly insulted Count Lamsdorff, the Russian minister of foreign affairs during a discussion on the Manchurian question, and being ordered out, was thrown down stairs by the Count's servants and fatally injured.

The Glasgow municipal committee has ordered 3,450 tons of rails and fish plates from the United States for the municipal street railway.

The Frankfurter Zeitung of Berlin, prints a special despatch from Constantinople, which says the Turkish government has raised a loan of £200,000 from the Ottoman bank to settle the claims of the Cramps and Krupps.

Lieut.-Col. Benson has arrived at Quebec.

The Granby handicap at the Croxton Park meeting (England) was won by Gridney.

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MEETING AT SAANICHTON

Resolutions Passed Favoring Coast-Kootenay Road As Independent Line.

A largely attended public meeting was held last night in the Agricultural hall at Saanichton to discuss the question of the Coast-Kootenay railway. Mr. Edwin John, of Saanich, occupied the chair, and Mr. Fred. Turgoose acted as secretary.

The first resolution, proposed by Ald. Yates, of Victoria, seconded by H. Carmichael, and carried unanimously, read as follows:

"Be it resolved, that in the opinion of this meeting of the electors of South Victoria district, it is necessary in the interests of this district that the Coast to Kootenay railway should be constructed and operated by a company unconnected with and independent of the Canadian Pacific Railway Co."

The meeting was then addressed by Mr. T. W. Patterson, who supported the necessity of competition in railways and showed its advantages to the farming interest.

Mr. J. Shopland, seconded by Mr. J. Sluggett, then proposed the following resolution, which was carried unanimously, amidst applause:

"Be it resolved, that the representative of this electoral district of South Victoria in the legislative assembly be, and he is hereby instructed that the interests of this district demand that he shall protest against the granting of a charter to build the Coast to Kootenay railway to any company connected with or controlled by the Canadian Pacific Railway Co., and that he is hereby instructed to do all in his power as a member of the government and the legislature during the present session of the legislative assembly, to insist upon the granting of such subsidies as may be necessary to enable the said railway to be constructed by some company which is independent of and uncontrolled by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company so that the said railway should form an independent competitive transportation line from the Coast to the Kootenay and Eastern points."

Mr. E. V. Bodwell and Ald. Brydon also addressed the meeting. Mr. Bodwell said that he had not yet received final instructions from his company, but he had no anticipation that they would tender for the construction of the Coast-Kootenay railway under the specifications referred to in the government's advertisement.

The chairman, in closing the meeting, said that he was in perfect harmony with the resolutions which embodied the opinion of 90 per cent. of the people of the district.

RAILWAY MEETING.

The People of Metchosin Are Taking an Interest in Proposals.

Yesterday Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken, M. P. P., received the following requisition from the people of Metchosin to attend a meeting there on Saturday night. It is the intention of the gentleman to attend and hear what is to be said. The requisition to Mr. Helmcken to be present was signed by many prominent residents of the district and shows that the senior member for Victoria has many friends elsewhere than immediately in the city. Below it is given in full:

April 8, 1901.

H. D. Helmcken, M. P. P.:

Dear Sir: We, the undersigned, respectfully request that you will be good enough to attend a public meeting to be held at Metchosin on the 13th instant, at 7:30 p.m., to discuss the railway problem now before the people, as we have confidence in your honesty and independence in this matter.

We remain, sir, faithfully yours.

Joseph Shaw, George Dutnall, James Parker, George Bezantson, Roland Stuart, L. O. Demus, N. Demus, R. Wity, T. C. Oldershaw, James Kull, Arthur H. Penn, R. W. Swanwick, T. Park, W. K. Wall, J. P., I. Foster, A. Duke, T. McIlwaine, Joseph Knox.

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DEEP DIGGINGS.

Memorial to Provincial House Passed by Vancouver Board of Trade.

The following memorial has been adopted by the Vancouver board of trade:

To the Honorable the Speaker and the Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Parliament assembled:

The humble petition of the undersigned, who are interested in the obtaining of remedial legislation in connection with deep placer mining in the province of British Columbia, showeth:

1. That the shallow placers of the Yale-Cariboo, Omineca and Cassiar districts produced about $60,000,000 from the date of the discovery of gold on the Fraser river, in 1857, until 1872, when they became practically exhausted, causing the merchants and business men of the province great loss financially and causing a depopulation of these mining districts;

2. It is conceded that the above districts include extensive areas of deep auriferous alluvials and systems of ancient river channels of stupendous proportions, the deposits of which are claimed by experts to contain higher values in gold than any known deep placer mining field in the world;

3. That after a trial of about ten years Part 7 of the Placer Mining Act of 1891, which was passed for the direct purpose of encouraging the exploration of these deep placer mining districts and the development of the industry of hydraulic and deep gravel mining has failed to so encourage the investment of capital in deep gravel mining enterprises to the extent warranted by the nature of the ground in these districts;

4. That the records of California and British Columbia show that, after the lands of the United States were thrown open for exploration and development under the provisions of the 1866 and 1872 acts of congress, whereby satisfactory title was given under United States patents at a reasonable figure, the population of the deep gravel mining districts in central California increased from 15,000 in 1866 to about 75,000 in 1882; and that within that same period over $100,000,000 capital was invested there in the construction of extensive water supply systems and hydraulic mining enterprises that have shown the good common sense of the investors by producing $10,000,000 to $15,000,000 worth of gold annually;

5. That we firmly believe that if remedial legislation were adopted in British Columbia to place deep placers on the same footing as mineral claims, a large number of prospectors would enter our fields, and capitalists having assurance of a good title would be encouraged to invest in our deep gravel mining enterprises, and as a consequence the development of a great and prominent mining industry would soon follow, and prosperity would return to the now almost abandoned placer mining districts of Yale-Cariboo, Omineca and Cassiar.

Your petitioners therefore pray that your honorable body may be pleased to cause an act to be passed by your present legislature, remedying the present law in connection with deep placer mining. And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

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Hear Mrs. Jennie Edmunds at Drill hall concert to-morrow night

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MARRIED.

KEOWN—YOUNG—At Esquimalt, on April 8th, by Rev. C. Ensor Sharp, William Edward Keown, formerly of London, Ontario, and Nellie Gertrude Young, formerly of Toronto, Ontario.

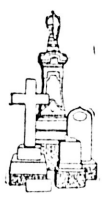
DIED.

AHERN—At the family residence, No. 173 Simcoe street, on the 10th instant, Mary Josephine Cecelia, infant daughter of Joseph and Rose Ahern, aged 1 year, 1 month and 10 days.

The funeral will take place today, Friday, at 1:30 p. m., from the residence as above, and at 2 o'clock at the Roman Catholic Cathedral.

BRINN—At Discovery Island, on the 10th inst., Sarah, the beloved wife of Richard Brinn, a native of Staffordshire, England, aged 55 years.

Due notice of funeral will be given.



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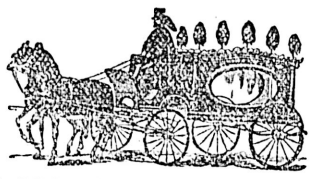

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Notice is hereby given that I shall apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria at their next meeting for a transfer of the license now held by Carl Zoelle, to sell spirituous and fermented liquors upon the premises known as the Albion saloon, situate on the corner of Yates street and Wadington Alley, Victoria, to myself.

Aated at Victoria, 11th April, 1901.

JAMES McMANUS.

Notice to Contractors

Tenders for the erection of a garden pavilion at Esquimalt will be received up to noon, 17th inst. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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NOTICE

The Special Committee of the City Council will meet the Government Street property owners on Saturday the 13th inst., at 10 a. m., at the office of the B. C. L. & I. Agency, to confer on Government Street paving.

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Notice is hereby given that I shall apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria at their meeting to be held on the 12th day of June, 1901, for a transfer of the license now held by me to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail upon the premises known as the "Albion" Saloon, situated on the corner of Herald and Government streets, Victoria, from myself to Francis Ledingham.

Dated this 6th day of April, 1901.

JOSEPH H. BROWN.

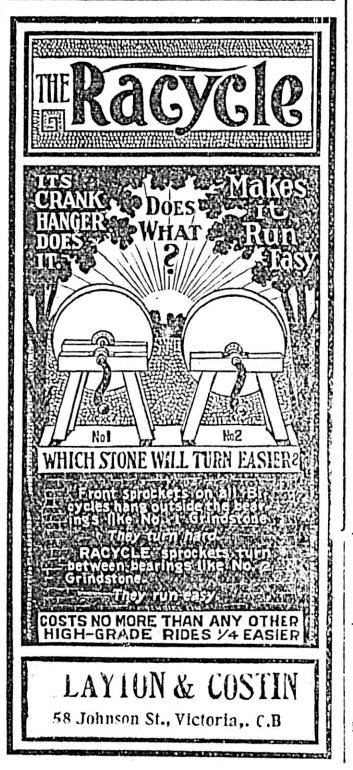
Skeena River Mining Company, Ld., Lty.

The annual general meeting of shareholders of the above company will be held in the office of Messrs. Turner, Becton & Co., Wharf street, on Monday, 15th instant, at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

Business: Election of officers, consideration of accounts and such other matters as may properly come before the meeting.

By order,
A. F. MUNRO,
Sec'y.-Treas.

Victoria, B. C., April 4, 1901.



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Municipal Notice

Vehicle Tax.

In pursuance of section 6 of the Revenue By-law, 1900, which reads as follows:

"Every person who owns any vehicle used in the said city of Victoria, shall for each vehicle so used pay to the collector of the said city for the use of the corporation, an annual tax of two dollars; demand is hereby made for payment forthwith of the tax under above section from all owners so liable.

CHARLES KENT,
Treasurer and Collector.

Victoria, B. C., City Hall, City Treasurer and Collector's Office, April 9th, 1901.

City of Victoria.

Early Closing By-Law

Retail Clothiers and Men's and Boys' Outfitting Establishments,

Notice is hereby given that under the enabling provisions of the Shops Regulation Act, 1900, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, did, on the 27th day of March, 1901, pass a by-law whereby it is enacted that all shops of the class of retail clothiers and men's and Boy's outfitting establishments within the City of Victoria, shall be and remained closed on each and every of the following days at the hours named, viz: All week days after 7 p. m.

EXCEPTIONS—Saturdays and the week days in the month of December and the day immediately preceding the following days New Year's Day, Good Friday, 24th May, Dominion Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, 11 p. m.

And all persons are enjoined to govern themselves accordingly.

By Order.
WELLINGTON C. DOWLER.
C. M. C.

City of Victoria.

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Retail Boot and Shoe Shops.

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EXCEPTIONS—Saturdays and the last sixteen days in the month of December and the day immediately preceding the following days New Year's Day, Good Friday, 24th May, Dominion Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day.

And all persons are enjoined to govern themselves accordingly.

By Order.
WELLINGTON C. DOWLER.
C. M. C.

Notice to Creditors.

In the Goods of Mary McGregor Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the estate of the said Mary McGregor, who died on the 4th day of March, 1901, are required on or before the 30th day of April, 1901, to send by post prepaid or deliver to A. McD. B. Fraser, 11 Trounce Alley, Victoria, B. C., agent under power of attorney, for Mrs. Helen McGregor, the executrix of the last will of the said deceased, full particulars of their claims duly verified.

And further take notice that after such last mentioned date the said executrix will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice, and that the said executrix will not be liable for the said assets, or any part thereof, to any person or persons of whose claim notice shall not have been received by her agent at the time of such distribution.

Dated the 6th day of April, A. D., 1901.

J. M. BRADBURN,
Solicitor for the Executrix.
Victoria, B. C.

NOTICE.

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Quartz Strike On the Skeena

Boscowitz Brings News of the Discovery of a Rich Ledge.

Smelter Projected for West Coast --Willamette Purchased by Moran Bros.

Steamer Boscowitz, which returned from Naas and way ports of the northern province yesterday afternoon, brought news of a very rich find of gold quartz on the Skeena river. A few days before the steamer left Port Simpson for the south, H. Jones, one of those employed in blasting rock at Kitselass canyon, for the government, who are widening the canyon for the benefit of the river steamers, came down to the coast port, and from him it was learned that rock had been found within a quarter of a mile from the mines being worked by Singlehurst and others at Kitselass canyon, which went about one thousand dollars to the ton. The news of this strike, of which no other particulars were learned by the steamer's officers, beyond the fact of the find and its richness, has created much excitement at Port Simpson.

The run of oolichans was over on the Naas, and those who had gone up to take them had made a good catch, for the run was a large one. R. Cunningham, whose fishermen went up the river on the tug Chieftain, took 350 barrels, and Peter Herman's men secured 50 barrels.

Work was progressing favorably in the construction of the telegraph line up the Skeena, and messages were being sent as far up the river as Aberdeen from Port Simpson, when the Boscowitz left that port. The line has been carried up 36 miles from Port Simpson on its way to Hazleton.

There were about a dozen saloon passengers and ten deck passengers on the down list of the Boscowitz. Of these five came from Alert Bay, the majority being concerned in the case of a resident of the Bay, who was brought down by Provincial Constable Wollacott, on suspicion of having broken into the mission store at Alert Bay. S. Cook, the storekeeper, came down, and W. Brotchie came down as interpreter. There was little evidence against the prisoner, according to those who came down with him. The store was robbed some time ago, and it was not known who had committed the robbery. Recently the accused was seen with a bracelet which was alleged to have been in the store, and this caused his arrest. He states that he found the bracelet.

Indian Agent Pidcock came down from Quatiaska Cove, B. Lawson and J. H. Pollard from Bella Coola, D. Wilson from Alert Bay, and Messrs. McCulloch and Sylvester, two miners from Gribble island, came down from that camp to purchase supplies.

WEST COAST SMELTER.

Queen City Brings News of Prospects of Reduction Works.

Steamer Queen City returned from Ahousett and way ports on the West Coast yesterday afternoon, and, according to news brought by the West Coast steamer, the prospects that a smelter will be built on the island are good. H. Gager, who went up the Coast on a recent trip of the steamer, was taken from Barclay Sound to Ucluelet, in continuation of his tour of inspection of the ore producing mines of the West Coast. He was very favorably impressed with the mines seen in Barclay Sound, and was to look over those near Ucluelet and along that part of the Coast. If he is as pleased with the mines in that vicinity as in Barclay Sound, he says a smelter will be established without any doubt on the Coast. The site will be selected later, and it is understood that Mr. Gager favors Barclay Sound as the location.

News was heard of but one schooner of the sealing fleet. The C. D. Rand had been in on the Coast, with 140 skins. At Wreck Bay work was being commenced with the new machines, and the outlook was most promising.

There were few passengers. G. H. Hayes, of Hayes Landing, returned from those mines on Alberni canal, with G. H. Byrnes, of the Bank of B. N. A. and C. H. Hand and C. F. Lee, two mining experts. Other passengers were D. McGauley, prospector, L. Kirkpatrick, J. Candon and O. Coolsen.

WILLAMETTE SOLD.

Was Purchased by Moran Bros., for Thirty Thousand Dollars.

The wrecked collier Willamette, which went ashore on Village Point on Denman island on the morning of March 16, was sold at public auction yesterday afternoon at the scene of the wreck, by W. Manson, of Union Bay. There were a large number of ship-owners and others present, and bidding was brisk. The steamer was finally knocked down to Moran Bros., the well-known Seattle ship-building company, for $30,000. The Seattle Shipbuilding Co. also purchase the 900 tons of Comox coal which remained in the steamer's hold, paying $195 for the coal. The Willamette, before she ran on the rocks of Denman island, soon after leaving the bunkers at Union Bay, was valued at over eight times the amount for which she was sold to the Seattle ship-builders. Her owners, the Oregon Improvement Co., had her value booked at $250,000, and she was insured to 96 per cent. of that amount, the insurance nearly all being placed with British companies. Originally the Oregon Improvement Co., who had her chartered to the Pacific Coast Steamship Co., when she was wrecked, paid $350,000 for the Willamette, and in 1898 the company procured new boilers and engines for her from the Union Iron Works, of San Francisco, at a cost of $140,000.

As the steamer now lies, she is held over a ledge of rocks, and her back is broken, her plates have been wrenched apart just forward of her smokestack. What plans her new owners have of salving her cannot be learned as yet.

MARINE NOTES.

Steamer Rosalie, leaving here to-night at 7:30 o'clock, will go through to Tacoma for another heavy cargo of freight. Returning, she will leave Seattle for Victoria on Saturday evening at 9:30 o'clock, instead of Saturday morning, arriving back here at 5 o'clock Sunday morning. This will give excursionists all day Saturday at Seattle.

Steamer North Pacific did not sail until 11:30 p. m., last night. She waited for the James Neill Co., who went on her to fill an engagement at Seattle.

Steam whaler Fearless, which is at Nanaimo loading supplies for her cruise after the right whale in the Sea of Anadair, may come back to this port to be repaired, for she sprang a leak on her way north, and is in need of repairs.

Capt. Harrison, of the ship Senator, lumber laden from Chemainus for Liverpool, says that he expects to get away on his voyage to-day, taking the majority of the men now in jail to fill up his crew.

Collier Hyades is coming over from Seattle to-day to Ladysmith to complete her coal cargo for Los Angeles.

British ship Red Rock sailed from Hamburg for Victoria with general merchandise on April 3. She went from Liverpool to the German port, to load cement and complete her cargo.

Steamer Sehome, which carried a lumber cargo to Iquique from Moodyville, arrived at her destination on April 6.

Schooner Erie, which is coming from Honolulu to load props at Pender island for Santa Rosalia, left the Hawaiian port on March 31.

Steamer Ping Suey, from Seattle, has arrived at Hongkong with plates cracked by encounters with ice in a similar manner to the steamer Tartar.

Steamer Duke of Fife is due from the Orient.

Steamer Cottage City sailed for Alaskan ports at 6 a. m. yesterday.

Steamer Willapa is due from Naas and way ports, and is scheduled to sail north again to-night, should she arrive in time.

Steamer Victoria will sail for the Orient on Saturday.

MARINE NEWS.

San Francisco—Arrived, April 10, str Czarina, from Tacoma; str Jeanie, from Comox. Sailed, bk J. D. Peters, for Chignik bay; str Victoria, for Chemainus; str Matteawan, for Tacoma; str Aragonaso, for Seattle.

Port Los Angeles—Arrived, April 9, str San Mateo, from Nanaimo.

Honolulu—Sailed, March 31, sc Erie and bkt Skagit, for Puget Sound. Arrived, April 2, Br bk Antelope, from Oyster Harbor.

Runcorn—Arrived, April 9, Br bk Forteviot, from Tacoma.

Queenstown—Arrived, April 10, Br sh Decan, from Astoria.

Nagasaki—Sailed, April 7, Br str Oopack, for Seattle.

Eleele—Sailed, March 18, bk Agate, for Puget Sound.

Port Townsend—Passed in, April 9, sc J. A. Campbell, from Honolulu.

Astoria—Arrived, April 10, Br sh Fulwood, from Hongkong.

Port Townsend—Arrived, April 10, sh Charles E. Moody, from Honolulu.

Tacoma—Sailed, April 9, Br bk Harold, for Plymouth.

Astoria—Sailed, April 9, Br bk Craigisla, for Queenstown; Br bk Forest Hall, for Queenstown.

Seattle, Arrived, April 10, str Hyades, from San Francisco.

San Francisco—Arrived April 9, Br str Wellington, from Oyster Harbor.

Port Los Angeles—Sailed, April 10, Br str Algoa, for Nanaimo.

Hongkong—Arrived, April 9, Br str Ping Suey, from Manila, with 22 plates and several frames bent.

Liverpool—Arrived, April 5, Br sh Carnedd Llewellyn, from Tacoma.

Yokohama—Arrived, April 6, str Olympia, from Tacoma for Hongkong.

Hamburg—Sailed, April 3, Br sh Red Rock, for Vancouver.

Falmouth—Arrived, April 5, Br sh Forteviot, from Tacoma.

Callao—Arrived, February 16, Ital bk Cavour, from Port Blakeley.

Iquiqui—Arrived, April 6, sc Sehome, from Moodyville.

Port Pirie—Arrived, April 4, sc Forester, from Port Gamble.

DRUNKEN VOTERS.

Illinois Legislators Introduce an Extraordinary Bill.

From Montreal Star.

One Mr. Sullivan has introduced in the Illinois legislature a bill to afford relief to intoxicated voters. It provides that intoxication shall be considered a physical disability, and an intoxicated person shall be considered entitled to assistance in marking his ballot. The election officials must guide the erring steps of the disabled individual, and mark his ballot as he directs. As directions under such circumstances are apt to be confusing and a trifle erratic, the officials of Illinois are likely to have some excitement in the future if the proposed measure should become law, especially as there will be people who do not pursue the strict rules of the lodge room on election days. As intoxication is a mental as well as physical disability, would it not be a sensible thing to amend the law so that the man with the jag and the lunatic might have a portion of the booth set off for them to mark their own ballots, said ballots being afterwards consigned to the waste basket? This would do more to bring about sobriety on election day than any other enactment. Those who find it necessary to get their man half stupid before he is foolish enough to vote their way, would need to seek some other employment; the free and enlightened elector would no longer emulate the mountain goat in "quickly jumping from jag to jag;" and the people would not run the risk of having to accept the verdict of a drunken jury.

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Chas. McCallum.	F. R. Hatch.
Mrs. McCallum.	Miss Pickard.
Master McCallum.	Miss Wallace.
J. H. Henderson.	Mr. Watkis.
Miss K. Farrington.	Miss Johnson.
J. R. Wright.	A. Robinson.
W. S. McGregor.	Rev. Mr. Allen.
H. E. Davis.	Mr. Parkes.
J. L. Steele.	F. W. Foster.
Jno. Young.	Bert Howell.
A. Robertson.	Wm. Henderson.
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Hy. Darling.	Mrs. Oliver.
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Capt. Duthie.	J. A. Hinton.
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F. Carter-Cotton.	D. G. Lew.
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Passengers per steamer Rosalie from the Sound.

F. J. Wheeler.	Jas. Devin.
E. V. Bodwell.	C. Hanson.
F. H. B. Johnson.	Jas. Hanson.
G. A. Lebbe.	Alex. Hall.
Mrs. Lebbe.	J. N. Castle.
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A. Koch.	J. D. Willis.
A. M. Cratt.	G. G. Haley.
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G. L. Howe.	Mrs. C. Fellows.
Mrs. Howe.	Capt. A. A. Sears.
Miss Howe.	Mrs. Sears.
Alfred Water.	Mrs Obendauer.
Mrs. Water.	R. C. Campbell.
Miss Water.	Mrs. Brown.
W. E. McCord.	Mrs. Dumwright.
A. Bekander.	J. Mulholland.
J. D. Lynch.	Mrs. Mulholland.
S. McKenzie.	J. E. Chipman.
Mrs. J. Cochrane.	M. Hirschbaum.
Miss Wilson.	Father Althoff.
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Passengers per steamer North Pacific from the Sound.

J. B. Rickaby.	Mrs. Kenedy.
J. Podbielancill.	Miss Housby.
T. Mosher.	Mrs. Kennedy.
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J. Cranshank.	J. M. Freese.
J. Mernon.	Mrs. Freese.
J. Fraser.	N. S. Cannon.
J. Rintone.	C. A. Butler.

Passengers per steamer Utopia from the Sound:

Miss M. Bechtel.	E. Temple.
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P. Kramer.	Miss Phain.
J. Higgins.	Miss. M. Phain.
C. Androff.	Miss V. Phain.
D. Willison.	F. W. Grant.
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Notice.

Pursuant to an order of the Honorable Mr. Justice Martin, dated the 26th day of March, 1901, notice is hereby given that any person having or pretending to have any title to or interest in that portion of Section 8, Range VII, of the Quamichan District, as shown on the official map or plan containing about five and one-half acres, and on which the house and curtilage of Mr. James Mears are situate and bounded as follows: On the west from the south-west corner of Section 8, along the boundary line between Range VI and Range VII, 889 links, on the south along the boundary line between Section 7 and Section 8 of Range VII, 449 links, on the east along the Comox Road, 1115 links, and on the north, 732 links, and which stands registered in the name of James Fleming, is required, within 4 weeks from the 20th day of March, 1901, to file a statement of his or her claim with the Registrar of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, pursuant to the "Quieting Titles Act."

Dated this 20 day of March, 1901.

WYLAN S. DUMBLETON,
Solicitor for James Mearns, the Petitioner.

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Land Registry Act.

In the matter of an application for a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to Lots One Hundred and Thirteen (113), and One Hundred and Fourteen (114), Victoria City.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof, to issue a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above lands issued to Thomas Brigham Hall on the 2nd day of September, 1890, and numbered 16457.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., 2nd day of April, 1901.

NOTICE.

Courts of Assize, Nisi Prius, Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery will be holden in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at the places and on the dates following, namely:

City of Nanaimo, on the 23rd day of April, 1901.

City of New Westminster, on the 23rd day of April, 1901.

City of Nelson, on the 7th day of May, 1901.

City of Revelstoke, on the 7th day of May, 1901.

City of Vernon, on the 15th day of May, 1901.

City of Kamloops, on the 23rd day of May, 1901.

City of Vancouver, on the 21st day of May 1901.

City of Victoria, on the 28th day of May, 1901.

Town of Clinton, on the 28th day of May, 1901.

By Command.

J. D. PRENTICE.
Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office, 10th March, 1901.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE. CASSIAR DISTRICT.

NOTICE is hereby given that the reservation placed on Crown lands situate in the Bennett Lake and Atlin Mining Divisions of Cassiar District, notice of which was published in the British Columbia Gazette and dated 13th December, 1898, is hereby cancelled.

W. C. WELLS.
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

The government of the province of British Columbia is prepared to consider proposals for the construction of a Coast-Boundary Railway, such proposals to be addressed and handed to the Hon. W. C. Wells, Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, at his office up until noon of the 15th day of April next. The parties submitting such proposals to state the security they will be prepared to give to ensure the commencement and completion of the undertaking. The applicants must furnish with their proposals the course of the proposed line of railway and plans approximately defining the same. The terms and conditions to be had on application to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

J. D. PRENTICE.
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New Westminster, B. C., June 14th, 1900.

RHEUMATISM GONE—QUITE WELL.

Dear Sir—My son Charles was troubled with rheumatism for some time past and has been in bed for several weeks. No doctor or physician in the city seemed to be able to do anything for him, but he was able to walk around the house in about half an hour after using your China Root Remedy, and is now well again. Yours truly, S. J. PEARCE, City License Inspector.

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Any person desiring a copy of this by-law or of the necessary forms for use by Dairymen and Milk Vendors may obtain same at the City Clerk's office or from the undersigned.

JAMES WILSON,
Sanitary Inspector.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 7, 1901.

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Lv.	2:00 p. m.	Cariboo	Ar.	11:33 a. m.
Ar.	4:35 p. m.	White Horse	Lv.	9:00 a. m.

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RAILWAY CHARTERS.

The Crow's Nest Southern bill is exciting more interest at Ottawa than it did here. When the matter was before the railway committee yesterday, the Minister of Railways stated that he was not yet certain that the public interests were sufficiently safeguarded, and the consideration of the question has gone over for a week. In view of the relations known to exist between the Minister and the C. P. R., no one will pretend to believe that his desire to protect the public is simply a cloak to conceal friendliness to that corporation, and we cannot for the life of us see how what is proper at Ottawa in this regard is open to objection in Victoria. Possibly what the federal government may deem adequate protection of the general public may fall short of or exceed what the provincial government may think appropriate. Two independent bodies are not likely to arrive at absolutely identical conclusions on a subject involving so many difficulties as this one appears to, but any differences which may develop are not to be regarded as showing animus on the part of either. We judge from present indications that the conclusion, that will be reached in this matter, will be one that will be found satisfactory to the public and to the gentlemen promoting the enterprise. If this is the outcome of the negotiations and discussions, these will all be forgotten in a very short time. Governments must expect to be misjudged by those who do not agree with them, but so that the conclusions reached are wise, they can afford to ignore misrepresentations.

What has occurred in this connection suggests that there may be serious trouble ahead between the provinces and the Dominion in regard to railways. A very great deal has been taken for granted on this subject. It is only very recently that much attention has been paid to railway charters. They have usually been granted to any one who asked for them, the only care taken being to see that the companies were not given any unusual or excessive powers. Now, however, conditions are being exacted, and some of them are of such a character that companies may deem them onerous. Companies are applying for charters to the federal parliament and also to the provincial legislatures. If one of these charters imposes restrictions not provided in the other, which will prevail, or will both stand? Companies build lines under local charters, and then parliament seeks to get jurisdiction over them by declaring them to be works for the general advantage of Canada. Does this oust the jurisdiction of the province and if so to what extent? A company will get a provincial charter and then apply to parliament for an extension of time within which the line may be built. Does this have the effect intended These and other questions suggest themselves, and while lawyers may speak very positively about them, no one can in point of fact answer them, for the courts have yet to pronounce upon them.

Let us suppose that a railway accepts a charter from a provincial legislature and that one of its provisions is government, i. e., local government, control of rates, and afterwards gets a charter from parliament with a similar provision as to control of rates by the federal government. Which control shall rule? Perhaps some one has an answer ready for this question, but we do not think so. This is not wholly new, for it may be remembered that during the premiership of Mr. Turner that gentleman expressed himself upon several occasions as desirous of seeing the limitations of the two legislative bodies, when dealing with railways, defined so as to avoid conflict. It presents a great many difficulties, and may form the subject of a conference between the provinces and the Dominion at an early day. It ought to be settled before much more railway legislation is enacted.

A LESSON FROM THE EAST.

The Montreal Gazette directs attention to the fact that last year the wheat yield of the province of New Brunswick was 504,000 bushels. The Trade and Navigation returns for the year ending June 30, 1900, show that there were exported from that province during the year, butter to the value of $45,820, and cheese to the value of $323,121. To some persons, perhaps to the majority of Colonist readers, these figures possess no special interest. Indeed we have very excellent people in this community, who think no one should ever refer to what is going on in New Brunswick or Nova Scotia. They are like what an English barrister, who had spent some time in the state of Washington a few years ago, said of the people of that state, to a newspaper interviewer on the eve of his departure for home: "One obstacle to your progress," he said, "is your unwillingness to learn from the experience of other places. You are wrestling with elementary problems, which have been worked out to a full solution in older communities." The New Brunswick figures are of interest because they show what can be done to promote agriculture under what might, on the surface, be regarded as adverse conditions. Take the wheat production of that province. Thirty years ago the amount of this grain grown there would not exceed 200,000 bushels, and it had reached this total only because a great deal of land was being cleared, and wheat was thought to be a good first crop. Then there was a great falling off, until those who were keeping track of agriculture there became of the opinion that the farmers had decided not to grow wheat. A few people thought that wheat growing should be encouraged, but it was a slow, up-hill process to get the farmers to think so. The so-called "practical" men were all against it, nevertheless the theorists stuck to their guns, and after a long time, in fact, it was only some three or four years ago, the government set itself to work to encourage wheat growing. The result has more than exceeded any one's expectations, so that the province is producing about one-third of its own wheat and a steady increase is in progress. It may be added that the average yield per acre is 18 bushels. Fifteen years ago the province imported large quantities of butter and almost all its cheese. As we have shown, it is now an exporter of these articles. This change is directly due to the encouragement to dairy farming held out by the provincial government. The consequence is that instead of money being sent out of the province every year to purchase these articles, there is a steady inflow of money from the sale of the surplus product of them.

So much for New Brunswick; now for British Columbia. This province imports a very large part of its butter, cheese, poultry, eggs, mutton, beef, flour, oats, fruit and other articles, that can be grown here as well as anywhere in the world. Is there any good reason why something cannot be done to stop this constant drain upon the pockets of the people? This is really the most important question of the day, although we suppose it would be difficult to get up public meetings to discuss it. Just think about it a little while. There is a mine somewhere, it makes no difference where. A number of miners are at work upon it. The product is copper ore, and it is shipped out of the province to be treated, and that is the last we see or hear of it, for the dividends, if there are any, go to foreign owners. All the benefit the province derives is for the expenditure in labor, but it does not get the full benefit of this, for the reason that nearly everything the miners consume is imported into the province. When we use the word "imported" in this connection, we mean brought in from points out of the province, whether in Canada or elsewhere. Is it not evident that if this were not the richest country in the world, it could not stand this enormous drain? And are we not right when we say that, if any man can devise a means whereby the food of the people of British Columbia can be raised at home, as far as climatic conditions will permit, he will confer immeasurable benefit upon the whole community? We urge that this matter shall not be lost sight of. Let us try and find out what the other provinces have done to encourage agriculture, and see how far their methods are applicable to the conditions existing here.

GOVERNMENT STREET.

Figures will not lie, so let us apply a few mathematical considerations to Government street. It is proposed to move the electric poles in as far as the edge of the present curb, and then to run a curb outside them. What effect will this have upon the street?

The street is 70 feet wide between the buildings. The sidewalks after the proposed change, will be 14 feet 6 inches wide. That will leave a roadway of 41 feet. Of this 41 feet, 14 feet 9 inches is taken up by the street car right of way, the overhang of cars is 1 foot 6 inches on each side, or 3 feet on both sides of the right of way. This leaves 23 feet 3 inches of clear space between the curbs and two cars when passing each other, or 11 feet 7 inches on each side of the car track (disregarding the fraction of an inch. The width of the rear axle of a dray is 7 feet 9 inches, which would leave 3 feet 10 inches clear space between a dray and the sidewalk, provided the axles of the dray were close against the car on the track. Allowing 10 inches as a margin of safety between a moving car and a moving dray, and there would be 3 feet left between the dray and the curb. A man could pass in safety on a bicycle, but a lady could not. Private carriages could no longer stand in front of Government street stores. At present there is barely room for the driver of a dray to back up against the sidewalk and swing the horse heads around out of the way of passing cars. This could not be done at all if the sidewalk is widened. We submit that these considerations ought to influence the City Council.

THE SONGHEES RESERVE.

The announcement made by Mr. Sifton yesterday, that he is disposed to accept the provincial government's proposal for the settlement of the Songhees Reserve question, will be very satisfactory to the people of Victoria, and indeed to the public generally. In bringing this matter to a head, Mr. Dunsmuir approached it in a fair business-like spirit and was met in the same way by the Minister of the Interior. Until Mr. Vowell has made his report the exact terms of the agreement will not be known, but we have no doubt about their being satisfactory. As a matter of fact the people generally were not very much concerned about the terms, so that the Indians were removed without any injustice being done them. The terms as far as they have been given out seem liberal to the Indians, but no one will object to them on this account. We suppose the outcome of the arrangement will be that after a little that part of the Reserve which lies above the Esquimalt Road will be converted into a public park, the E. & N. Railway company will have the station grounds required and the remainder of the property will be sold to private individuals. The Indians will probably be better off in their new home than they are now. After a time the province will come into the balance of any fund derived from the sale of the lots. We think this is a very fair settlement, but as has been intimated above, the citizens would be glad to have the matter out of the way even on less favorable terms. It will be a distinct gain to the city to have the Indians removed. We assume that the Reserve, when sold, will be included in the city, and this will add to the taxable property. At present it entails expense and makes no return for it. We may now hope soon to see Victoria built up on both sides of the harbor.

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THE COOK CHARGES.

The evidence taken by the Senate committee in regard to the Cook charges makes a pamphlet of 110 pages. There is not much to be gained by stirring up matters of this kind. Of course if it were true that the government or any one authorized on its behalf ever offered a senatorship to Mr. Cook for $10,000, the thing should be exposed and those who made the offer should be driven from public life, but where all that seems to have taken place according to Mr. Cook's own showing, was that he was pressing for a senatorship, and the late M. C. Cameron was pressing him to subscribe to the party election funds, it will strike most people that the whole business had better have been left alone. Mr. Cameron being dead, it is impossible to get at his understanding of his several conversations with Mr. Cook, and none of us needs to be reminded that there are always two sides to a story. We know that some people will think it to be the duty of the Colonist to hold that the charge has been proved and call upon the people to condemn a government that would be guilty of trafficking in such a high office, but we prefer to think, as long as we can, that the public men of Canada are honest, and that even if one party goes out and another comes in, the destinies of the country are safe at least from deliberate wrong-doing. We are heartily glad that Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Sir Richard Cartwright, the only ministers who were supposed to be implicated, were able to go upon the witness stand and deny in the most emphatic terms that any such proposal had ever been made to Mr. Cook with their knowledge or approval, or with the knowledge or approval of any members of the cabinet.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

INFORMATION WANTED.

Sir,—The railway problem at present before the people has resolved itself into an argument by counsel for plaintiff and defendant, with the people for jury. So far the jury have had but one side of the case presented to them, Mr. Bodwell as chief counsel bringing the attention of the jury only to those points which would tell in favor of his client's case. Aided by witnesses, whose expenses, as in cases in the courts, have to be paid, he was able to impress a large number of the jury favorably, and until the other side is heard, himself and client are feeling cheerful. As often happens in a civil suit, the parties principally interested, do not appear, but are represented in the case by a single member of a combination. Mr. Bodwell's client is apparently the charter-holders of the V., V. & E., described as an independent company—one that would bring competition in freight and passenger rates and use every endeavor and extend every aid in the development of the resources of the territory through which the line would run. If this were actually the case, it is doubtful if anyone would oppose the building of the line by such a desirable organization. But such, unfortunately, is not the case, and it became necessary for the real parties in the transaction to employ able counsel to advocate their interests, to spend money lavishly in an endeavor to sway public opinion, and thereby influence as far as possible the action of the government and legislature. Had Mr. Bodwell taken the public (the jury) more fully into his confidence, and advised them who his clients actually were, he would occupy a stronger position in the case than he does to-day.

Why did he not inform the jury that, while his client was nominally the V., V. & E. company, his real principals were the Great Northern or rather the great American railway trust? He could have then equally well advanced the plea of competition, etc., and retailed the benefits that would accrue to the public from having their railway systems managed by this patriotic combination of American capitalists. This would have been the more straightforward course. But Mr. Bodwell was not desirous that his client should appear in the garb of so formidable a monopoly. He would then look too much like the other fellow he was warning the public against; in fact, the other fellow would have seemed very much less formidable and objectionable in comparison. Will not some one take upon himself the task of informing the public of the actual facts from a disinterested standpoint? The public have heard from counsel and promoters and others interested on the one side. Meetings have been held where only paid advocacy has been presented, and where a cut and dried programme has been carried out and mis-named public opinion. What the great mass of your readers would be pleased to learn is, and this from someone competent and disinterested, why the promoters consider it necessary to liberally expend money, engage expensive counsel, resort to subterfuge and various other devices for keeping the public from learning the truth about themselves and their proposals, bring extraordinary and undue pressure on government and members of the Legislature, and generally put up a vigorous fight to obtain permission to built a railway line which they also claim cannot be constructed without heavy subsidy? Surely with such an expenditure of wealth and wisdom there is some greater object in view than the building of a railway to benefit the miners and ranchers. It might also be explained how much in cash and stock will be paid to the promoters of the V., V. & E. if they are successful in coercing the Legislature into granting them a charter and bonus, and if this consideration is not the real reason for all this hysterical advocacy in favor of the alleged competitive and independent line. Who will undertake the task of furnishing the actual facts of the case?

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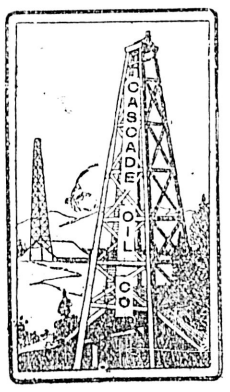

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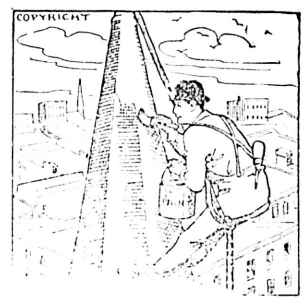

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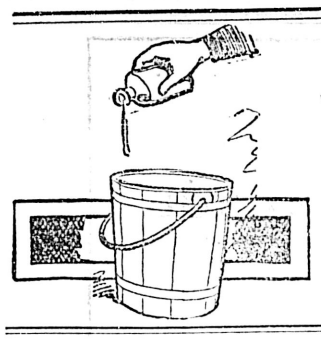

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Death's Hand.—The death occurred yesterday on Discovery Island of Mrs. Brinn, wife of Richard Brinn. The deceased was a native of Staffordshire, England, and 55 years of age. The remains will be brought to this city for interment.

Veterans, Attention!—As it is expected that the programme at the meeting of the Veteran Association this evening will be rather lengthy, the chair will be taken promptly at 8 o'clock, a fact of which members are requested to take notice. The place of meeting is the Pioneer hall, Broad street.

City Police Court.—F. K. Dahl was yesterday committed for trial on the remaining three charges of forgery against him, viz., forging the name of the C. P. N. Company to checks for $42, cashed by S. A. Stoddart; $12, cashed by Mr. Lefevre, and $26, cashed by W. Williams. There were two other cases before the court, a husband and wife being the defendants. The wife was charged with being drunk and was fined $5 and $1 costs, and the husband $10 and $1 costs, for assaulting his wife. The trading stamp cases were remanded for another week.

Saved the Chickens.—A resident of Douglas street was rudely awakened at an early hour yesterday morning by the cackling of his hens, a valuable lot, which are expected to make their mark at the next poultry show. A young man in the house, quickly dressing himself, went to the rescue of the chickens, and arrived just in time to catch a Chinaman in the act of scaling the back fence. A struggle ensued and lasted for some time, and although the Chinaman escaped, the chickens were left behind in a sack in which they had been placed by the thief, as an easier mode of transportation.

Interesting Tour.—Among the commercial men now in the city is Mr. John Prentice, of the J. Y. Griffin Company, and British Columbia vice-president of the Northwest Commercial Travellers' Association. Mr. Prentice arrived yesterday from Nanaimo, and will be in the city for a day or so, looking over matters at this branch of the firm's business. Mr. Prentice has just returned from a combined business and holiday trip to the Old Country, where he went to look into matters concerning the firm's trade and also to visit his parents in Scotland. He also made quite an extensive tour of the Eastern States and Canada, and sailing from Portland, Me., he returned via Boston on the Virginian, of the Leyland line. Oddly enough, the captain of the Virginian is a brother of Mr. Prentice whom he had not seen for twenty years. He thoroughly enjoyed his visit to the old land and spent some time travelling all through the three kingdoms. He landed in England just four hours after the death of Queen Victoria had been announced.

Case Is Closed.—The evidence in the application for habeas corpus in the case of the Chinese woman, Ah Ling, or Fong Yuk, was completed yesterday and the arguments of Mr. Martin for the Collector of Customs, and Mr. Barnard for the Chinese woman, were heard by His Lordship Mr. Justice Walkem, before the court adjourned at 1 o'clock. The evidence of Lum Ton, the husband of the woman, married to him by Rev. Solomon Cleaver some five years ago, was taken, and the marriage certificate which he received at the time was put in as an exhibit. The man told of living with Ah Ling for over a year, at 167 Government street, which is the same place as that at which she and Low Wing, the other claimant of the post of husband, had sworn to be their residence at the same time. Lum Ton swore the woman had led an immoral life previous to marrying him, and he said he knew this, as he had frequented her place. He had married her because she had promised to reform, a promise she had not kept. He had left her $75 and went home to China for a visit. When he returned to this country he had not lived with her again, as she "scolded" him, in other words, she did not like him, and told him so. Mr. Wootton went into the stand and gave evidence respecting a statement Lee Mon Kow, the interpreter, had made to him before the case came up, saying that he, Lee Mon Kow, thought the woman would win, as the department had no evidence against her. When the arguments of the counsel were concluded, His Lordship said he would reserve judgment.

PROVINCIAL GAZETTE.

The provincial Gazette this week contains notice of the appointment of Frank Kirkland, of Westham Island, and John Nightingale, of Cobble Hill, as justices of the peace for the province.

A sitting of the court of assize will be held at Golden on May 14.

The English Fish Curing Company and the Yale Power Company, Limited, have been incorporated, and the Oriole Syndicate, Limited, has been licensed as an extra-provincial company.

The annual general meeting of the Columbia & Kootenay Railway & Navigation Company will be held at Vancouver on May 1.

The head office of the Great Western Mines, Limited, has been changed from Revelstoke to Ferguson.

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BUSINESS POINTERS.

Frederick Appleton, manager of the Columbia Flouring Mills, Enderby, arrived in town on Wednesday, and will remain for a week or so. Mr. Appleton reports the prospect of the Okanagan Valley as particularly bright just now, everything pointing to a banner year in wheat. Last year the crop was a comparatively light one, but if ordinary luck is experienced in the matter of good weather, the tonnage this season promises to be a long way ahead of any previous year. The people of the valley, so Mr. Appleton says, are as a unit in favor of the construction of the V. V. & E. line.

Under the heading "Business Chances" on page 7 will be found the notice of a florist's business for sale.

If you get a new hat from Phillips you will not need another one for a year.

The "Duke of York's" is the very latest in stylish headgear offered by Sea & Gowen, and in view of the approaching visit of His Royal Highness it behooves one and all to secure this, the correct hat for the occasion.

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Eight and three-quarters acres of good land four miles from the city are offered for sale by J. E. Church for $550. To anyone looking for a place to start a chicken ranch this property will bear inspection.

Good trout flies are always the cheapest, and Tisdall's gun store, Vancouver, carries a complete line of Hardy's and make a specialty of mail orders. See the announcement on page 8.

A partnership is wanted in a well-established business. See "G.P." in Business Chances, on page 7.

As bargains for to-day and to-morrow C. C. Russell enumerate some very attractive prices in their regular announcement on page 5. Look them up.

Quite an Improvement.—The removal from Douglas street of a number of the old poles has made a distinct improvement in the appearance of that thoroughfare.

KRUPP ECONOMIES.

Berlin Paper Says They Have Spread the Great Works.

Berlin, April 11.—The Lokal Anziger and Frankfurter Zeitung confirm the report that five thousand of the workmen of Herr Krupp have been dismissed, including three thousand men who were employed in the cannon works.

The Songhees Reservation

Ottawa Government Inclined to Accept British Columbia's Terms.

Mr. Vowell Superintendent of Indian Agencies to Make a Report.

Ottawa, April 11.—(Special)—Hon. Clifford Sifton, minister of the interior, announced in the house last night that the government was disposed to accept British Columbia's proposals for the settlement of the Songhees Indian reserve question, on the basis submitted by Hon. Messrs. Dunsmuir and Eberts during their recent visit to Ottawa. Mr. Sifton said the matter would be referred to A. W. Vowell, superintendent of Indian agencies for British Columbia, for a report.

The members of the provincial cabinet who are in the city, Hon. Messrs. Turner, Eberts and Prentice, had received no notification last night from Ottawa on the subject, but they were pleased to hear that the Dominion had decided to accede to the representations made by the province.

The provincial proposals submitted to the Dominion government were:

1. The Dominion of Canada to surrender, absolutely, to the province all their rights to the nineteen acres set for the use of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway as a right of way; and to so much of that part of the Songhees reserve as lies north of the present travelled Esquimalt road and east of Craigflower road;

2. The Dominion of Canada to be authorized to sell the residue of the reserve, and apply the proceeds, together with such moneys as they have in hand attached to this reserve, to the rehabilitation of the Songhees Indians upon another reserve satisfactory to the Dominion, to be provided for by the province, the province to have the reversion in any surplus available over and above the cost of such rehabilitation.

The report published in an evening paper yesterday to the effect that Mr. Sifton had announced that he had completed arrangements with Hon. Mr. Dunsmuir for moving the Indians caused considerable excitement on the reserve, as it was not expected, and caused a decidedly unpleasant surprise.

A Colonist representative called on Chief Cooper last evening, and was informed that the Indians have had no notice of a decision on the part of the Ottawa authorities. They are, in fact, making their gardens as usual, putting up new fences and repairing their houses, as is customary with them at this time of year. The chief said he had no intimation that the government intended removing the band, and had not been consulted as to the location of a new reserve for them. The Indians are much attached to their present home and would feel the removal very bitterly, although some of the more thoughtful men among them recognize that they would be better away from the dangers and temptations of the city.

It may take some time for Mr. Vowell to reconcile his Indian charges to being removed to new quarters, but the citizens of Victoria—Victoria West especially—will rejoice that this long standing controversy has reached a stage where an amicable settlement is within sight. The throwing open of the reserve will promote the growth of that portion of the city, so long retarded, and will make available for business an extensive water front which now lies idle.

INVITATION.

Extended by M. W. Waitt & Co., to all lovers of Music, to attend a Pianoforte Recital to be given in their hall on Saturday evening, April 13th, at 8:30 p. m., by Miss Cecile Russell, Associate R. C. M., London, Eng., assisted by Miss Stoddart, Miss Violet Powell, and Mr. Herbert Kent.

PROGRAMME.

1. (a) Chopin ..... Prelude
   (b) Hablerbler ..... Etude
   (c) Wagner-Liszt ..... Romance
   (d) Loeschorn ..... Etude
   Miss Russell.
2. Schumann ..... Andante in F
   For two Pianos.
   Misses Stoddart and Russell.
3. Vocal Solo ..... Selected
   Mr. H. Kent.
4. Liszt ..... Liebestraum
   Miss Violet Powell.
5. (a) Chopin ..... Valse
   (b) Chopin ..... Fantasie Impromptu
   (c) Heller ..... Tarantelle
   (d) Lack ..... Valse Arabesque
   Miss Russell.

Steinway, (N. Y.,) piano used.

Teachers' Meeting.—The regular meeting of the Victoria Teachers' Institute will take place this afternoon in the council chamber of the city hall. Rev. E. S. Rowe will give an address on the advantages of a teachers' union. Mr. J. D. McNiven, secretary of the Trades and Labor Council, will also speak. The chair will be taken at 4:15 p.m. by President Tait. All parties interested are invited to be present.

Ministers Transferred.—The following transfers of Methodist ministers have recently been made: Rev. John E. Gardner, British Columbia, to the Toronto conference; Rev. S. Cleaver, from Manitoba to Toronto; Rev. H. C. Wrinch, M.D., from Toronto to British Columbia; Rev. C. W. Service, from Montreal to British Columbia; Rev. S. J. Green Boy, of Quinte, to British Columbia; and Rev. Thomas Neville, of British Columbia, to Manitoba.

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FEW PEW DOORS LEFT.

Once Considered Essential in Church Equipment, Now Counted Obselete.

"In old times," said a dealer in church fittings and equipment, "it was a common thing to have doors on the pews in churches Fifty years ago in most Protestant churches there were pew doors. While used in Catholic churches also, they were not so common.

In those days the pew door was an institution; now it is pretty nearly obselete. There are still some in use. They will be found here and there, yet, in some of the old Protestant churches, as they may be occasionally, too, in some old Catholic churches; but they constitute no part of the equipment of any new church, and in many old churches the pew doors have been taken off as unnecessary and in the way.

"There are various reasons for this. Conditions have changed for one thing. In the old days pews were more commonly rented entire. Now there are more free churches, more free pews, and there are rented nowadays a greater number of individual sittings.

"In such conditions a pew door is not in any regree a necessity; it might indeed be undesirable in itself. Partly opened or closed the door was in the way; it might squeak; it was likely to be slammed in opening or closing. It was quite unnecessary expense, it was really surplusage, and in all new churches its use was everywhere discontinued whether the pews were rented or not.

In Catholic churches where it is still the common, prevailing custom to rent the pews, and where there still might be some need for a pew door, its place is now to some extent taken by a modern attachment called a pew guard. This is a simple but sightly strip of stitched leather attached at one end to the inner side of the upper part of the end piece of the new next the aisle, the other end, when the guard is not in use, hanging down over the pew arm.

"If all the regular occupants of a new are not yet in, and it is desired to hold their places for them, the pew guard is put up across the open end of the pew, the free end of the guard being then secured in a holder made to receive it, fixed on the inner side of the upper part of the end piece of the pew in front. Not in use the pew guard hanging loosely over the arm of the pew to which it belongs, occupies practically no room at all, and is in nobody's way.

"And so the pew door, once in common use, and commonly considered an essential adjunct in the furnishings of a church has now by common consent, virtually disappeared from use."

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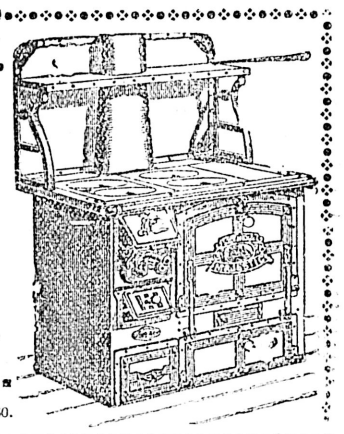

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WHAT B. C. IS LOSING

Food Stuffs Imported That Should be Raised in the Province,

From B. C. Trade Budget.

The reading of the annual returns to 30th June last of the Department of Trade and Navigation, Ottawa, just issued, must offer food for reflection to every resident of British Columbia. For although blue books are notoriously dull literature, still the inspection of the results of the twelve months' business transactions by B. C. merchants as crystalized in the books of the customs house affords a very profitable way of spending a couple of hours. Particularly is this the case when one glances at the annual bread bill, which this province, with its hundreds of thousands of acres of virgin soil, is called on to pay in the shape of imports of mutton, butter, cheese, eggs, provisions of all kinds—yes, even salmon.

In the detached table quantities and values are those entered at the different customs houses in this province, and as we in B. C. are supposed to have—or should have—control of the Yukon trade, the same particulars are given as regards the business of that neighboring territory. The figures given below, be it remembered, covers only the imports that passed the customs house. It must be borne in mind that no account is here taken of the enormous quantities of some of the articles specified that are brought into B. C. from Manitoba and other eastern provinces. Take the single item of butter, for instance. For the year ending 30th June, 1900, B. C. and the Yukon territory imported $291,397 worth of butter, and from inquiries made of those in a position to know it is learned that at least four times as much Manitoba and eastern butter is consumed in this province as is imported from the United States. Even allowing the ratio to be 2 to 1, this shows that over three quarters of a million of dollars' worth of this dairy produce alone is brought into the province annually.

As will be seen at a glance, practically every item in the list is capable of being grown or manufactured in the province. But the most astounding feature of all is the appearance of 2,669,245 bbls. of imported fresh salmon! To those who are conversant with the fishing laws this is no surprise, but just the same it stands as a monument to beaurocratic and downright foolishness. It simply means this, that the officials compel our B. C. canners to send nearly $100,000 across the 49th parallel to buy fish which, without interference, they would be able to catch in our own rivers—we pay all this money to Americans for catching our own fish.

FARM YARD PRODUCTS.

	lbs.	Value.
BUTTER—		
British Columbia ..	563,913	126,841
Yukon	614,093	164,556
CHEESE—		
British Columbia ..	78,155	11,040
Yukon	113,512	15,397
LARD		
British Columbia ..	203,541	17,343
Yukon	362,166	25,113
BACON AND HAMS—		
British Columbia ..	3,089,608	329,313
Yukon	1,266,316	145,713
SALT BEEF—		
British Columbia ..	105,563	7,508
Yukon	10,957	873
CANNED MEATS—		
British Columbia ..	687,621	77
Yukon	1,050,062	86,799
MUTTON AND LAMB—		
British Columbia ..	756,808	31,661
Yukon	49,991	4,731
PORK (SALT)—		
British Columbia ..	30,557	2,437
Yukon	44,980	3,503
POULTRY AND GAME—		
British Columbia ..	——	16,221
Yukon	——	8,852
DRIED MEATS—		
British Columbia ..	81,282	6,900
Yukon	146,136	12,663
OTHER MEATS—		
British Columbia ..	97,872	7,131
Yukon	216,261	23,048
DO. DO. (SALTED)—		
British Columbia ..	113,414	10,874
Yukon	165,501	14,057
EGGS—	Doz.	Value.
British Columbia ..	346,617	57,407
Yukon	335,065	67,339
MILK, (CON'D.)—		
British Columbia ..	1,417,748	124,610
Yukon	1,134,889	125,235
Total		$1,524,724

FISH.

	lbs.	Value.
SALMON—		
British Columbia ..	2,669,245	81,959
Yukon	10,400	1,200
SALMON (SMOKED)—		
British Columbia ..	1,330	108
Yukon	28,543	1,433
SALMON (CANNED)—		
Yukon	28,158	2,259
SALMON (SALTED)—		
British Columbia ..	916	63
Yukon	500	50
FISH (OTHER)—		
British Columbia ..	10,598	602
Yukon	58,148	2,824
COD—		
British Columbia ..	84,057	3,530
HALIBUT—		
British Columbia ..	184,072	7,306
Yukon	36,434	1,307
HERRING—		
British Columbia ..	130,043	11,239
Yukon	16,265	867
OYSTERS—		
British Columbia ..	1,326	5,076
DO. TINS, ETC.—		
British Columbia ..	——	36,784
Yukon	——	13,365
Total		$170,062

GREEN FRUITS.

	lbs.	Value.
GREEN APPLES—		
British Columbia ..	8,974	37,491
Yukon	375	2,605
BERRIES—		
Black, Goose, Strawberries and Raspberries .		
British Columbia ..	140,877	10,645
Yukon	24	2
CHERRIES—		
British Columbia ..	87,350	6,700
Yukon	842	72
CRANBERRIES—		
British Columbia ..	1,535	2,211
PLUMS—	bush.	Value.
British Columbia ..	13,143	9,791
Yukon	73	113
OTHER FRUITS		17,070
FRUIT (in air tight cans)—		
British Columbia....	920,190	41,436
Yukon	593,138	32,167
Total		$160,303

FRUITS.

APPLES (DRIED)—		
British Columbia ..	79,300	5,440
Yukon	150,677	11,399
CURRANTS—		
British Columbia ..	285,966	11,227
Yukon	11,642	935
PRUNES—		
British Columbia ..	511,757	21,455
Yukon	227,026	12,697
JELLIES, JAMS, AND PRESERVES—		
British Columbia ..	311,531	22,447
Yukon	65,836	7,350
FRUITS AND NUTS—		
British Columbia ..	701,931	50,808
Yukon	732,085	45,815
Total		$190,571
Total		$64,442

FIELD PRODUCTS.

	bush.	Value.
POTATOES—		
British Columbia ..	36,935	23,363
Yukon	30,154	28,180
TOMATOES (FRESH)—		
British Columbia ..	1,895	4,107
Yukon	50	145
DO. AND OTHER VEGETABLES IN TINS, ETC.—	lbs.	Value.
British Columbia ..	318,846	21,415
Yukon	795,535	36,238
OTHER VEGETABLES—		
British Columbia ..	——	39,688
Yukon	——	37,391
PICKLES IN BOTTLES—	gal.	Value.
British Columbia ..	14,913	15,054
Yukon	3,735	3,778
PICKLES IN BULK—	lbs.	Value.
British Columbia ..	23,530	12,119
Yukon	10,424	2,372
HAY—	tons.	Value.
British Columbia ..	4,207	53,784
Yukon	1,801	32,575
HONEY—	lbs.	Value.
British Columbia ..	58,339	5,876
Yukon	74,116	6,915
HOPS—		
British Columbia ..	48,361	6,914
Yukon	2,896	259
Total		$331,173

SUNDRIES.

SAUCES, ETC., IN BOTTLES—		
British Columbia ..	21,155	30,781
Yukon	3,862	7,391
BRICK—		
British Columbia ..	19,261	4,584
Total		$64,422

This is all con founded nonsense in Capt. Bernier going out in search of the North pole, remarked an irate citizen on Sunday. What we want is a man who will find the Equator and move it up several degrees this way.

SPORTING NEWS

The third annual championship meeting of the Pacific Northwest Golf Association, was held on the links of Victoria Golf Club at Oak Bay, Victoria, on the 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th April. The visiting members of golf clubs belonging to the association included the following: H. S. Griggs, S. D. Bowers, G. N. White, W. V. Burrill, J. M. Ashton, Mrs. Burrill, Mrs. Ashton and Mrs. Snow, of the Tacoma Golf Club; J. P. Gifford (the holder of the Pacific Northwest championship of 1900), R. L. Macleay and Miss King of the Waverley Golf Club, Portland; E. A. Strout and J. Collins, of the Seattle Golf Club, and F. H. Mason of the Spokane Golf Club.

On the first day the gentlemen's and ladies open championship of the Pacific North west (match play), eighteen and fourteen holes respectively, were commenced. There were eighteen entries for the gentlemen's championship, the results of the various matches being as follows: D. R. Irvine beat F. H. Mason 5 up and 4 to play; P. B. Gifford beat A. S. Reed 5 up and 4; A. H. Goldfinch beat C. J Prior 2 up; R. L. Macleay beat A. P. Luxton 2 up and 1; J. M. Ashton beat J. Collins 1 up; H. Combe beat D. R. Irvine 5 up and 4; G. W. White beat P. B. Gifford 4 up and 3; S. D. Bowers beat E A Strout 7 up and 6; H S. Griggs beat W. V. Burrill 5 up and 4; W. E. Oliver beat R. W. Dunsmuir 8 up and 7. In the next round A. H. Goldfinch beat R. L. Macleay; H. Combe beat J. M. Ashton 5 up and 4; S. D. Bowers beat G. W. White 4 up and 2; W. E. Oliver beat H. S. Griggs 1 up at the 20th hole. In the semi-final round A. H. Goldfinch beat H. Combe 5 up and 4, and W. E. Oliver beat S. D. Bowers 2 up. In the final A. H. Goldfinch beat W. E. Oliver 4 up and 3 to play, and became the winner of the open championship of the Pacific Norhtwest.

In the ladies championship there were thirteen entries. The first round resulted as follows: Mrs. Burton beat Mrs. Jones 1 up; Mrs. Langley beat Miss Eva Loewen 5 up and 4; Mrs. Combe beat Mrs. Burrill 7 up and 5; Mrs. Snow beat Mrs. Ashton 5 up and 2; Miss Drake beat Mrs. Snow 3 In the next round Mrs. Marten beat Mrs. Barnard; Mrs. Langley beat Mrs. Burton 4 up and 3; Mrs. Combe beat Mrs. Snow 3 up and 2; Miss Drake beat Miss Harvey 3 up and 2. In the semi final round Mrs. Langley beat Mrs. Martin 7 up and 6; Miss Drake beat Mrs. Combe 2 up. In the final round Miss Drake beat Mrs. Langley after an exceedingly close game, Miss Drake winning at the 19th hole, 1 up, after Mrs. Langley had been "dormey" 3 at the 15th hole. Miss Drake is therefore, lady champion of the Pacific Northwest.

Open champion of the Pacific Northwest, (gentlemen), Mr. A. H. Goldfinch.

Open champion of the Pacific Northwest (ladies), Miss Drake.

The other events at the meeting with the results are as follows:

LADIES' OPEN HANDICAP.
(14 Holes.)

	Score.	Handicap.	Result.
Mrs. A. W. Jones	92	19	73
Mrs. Calthrop	99	20	79
Mrs. Gillespie	105	26	79
Miss Eva Loewen	91	10	81
Miss Harvey	91	10	81
Mrs. Langley	81	8	81
Mrs. Laing	102	20	82
Mrs. Burton	94	10	84
Mrs. Martin	104	19	85
Mrs. Snow	94	8	86
Mrs. Irving	108	19	89
Mrs. Burrill	109	16	93
Mrs. Ashton	114	13	101

Mrs. Combe, Miss Drake, Miss King, Miss Wilson, Miss Galletly, Miss Wilson, Mrs. Gooch and Mrs. Barnard also entered and returned no score. In the play off of the tie for second place, Mrs. Calthrop beat Mrs. Gillespie, the scores being Mrs. Calthrop 99-20-79; Mrs. Gillespie 118-26-92.

GENTLEMEN'S APPROACHING CONTEST.

(4 Balls, 2 at 60 yards, 2 at 40 yards. Banker 25 yards from hole.)

Nearest approach, won by C. J. Prior, 4, 10.

Best average, won by S. D. Bowers.

LADIES' APPROACHING CONTEST.
(Same Conditions.)

Nearest approach, won by Mrs. Combe, 9, 2.

Best average, won by Mrs. Langley.

PUTTING FIRST DAY.

S. D. Bowers won after a tie with W. E. Oliver and E. A. Strout.

GENTLEMEN'S FOURSOMES HANDICAP.
(18 Holes.)

	Score.	Handicap.	Result.
E. A. Strout, J. Collins	89	12	77
G. K. Gillespie, P. S. Lampman	97	19	78
C. J. Prior, A. S. Reed........	91	11	80
P. B. Gifford, R. L. Macleay	88	8	88
D. R. Irvine, A. H. Goldfinch	92	4	88
G. W. White, W. V. Burrill........	97	12	85
W. E. Oliver, H. Cambe	88	3	91
H. S. Griggs, S. D. Bowers	91	8	91
A. P. Luxton, Mrs. Justice Martin	110	19	91
G. A Kirk, W. A. Anderson	109	16	93
A. W. Jones, G. H. Barnard	112	19	93
J. W. Laing, L. O. Garnett	114	21	93
F. H. Mason, J. M. Ashton	108	12	96

LADIES' FOURSOMES HANDICAP.
(14 Holes.)

	Score.	Handicap.	Result.
Miss Drake, Miss Eva Loewen	85	8	85
Mrs. Langley, Mrs. Calthrop	94	5	89
Mrs. Comoe, Miss Harvey	89	8	89
Mrs. A. W. Jones Mrs. Burton	101	9	92
Mrs. Laing, Miss Foster	123	29	94
Miss King, Mrs. Snow	96	8	96
Miss Wilson, Mrs Martin	114	18	96
Mrs. Burrill, Mrs. Ashton	117	14	103
Mrs. Luxton, Miss B. Foster	147	34	113

GENTLEMEN'S DRIVING.
(3 Balls.)

Largest drive, won by R. L. Macleay, 196 yards, 2 feet.

Best average, won by G. W. White.

LADIES' PUTTING COMPETITION.

Miss Eva Loewen won after a tie with Miss King.

GENTLEMEN'S PUTTING COMPETITION.

C. J. Prior won.

GENTLEMEN'S OPEN HANDICAP.

	Score.	Handicap.	Result.
F. C. Gamble	103	24	79
J. H. Gillespie	99	18	81
H. Combe	80	3	83
A. Gillespie	101	18	83
C. J. Prior	91	7	84
Mr. Justice Martin...	109	24	85
A. Coles	100	14	86
G. K. Gillespie	96	9	87
A. H. Goldfinch	88	8	88
P. B. Gifford	90	1	89
H. S. Griggs	91	1	90
F. H. Mason	99	9	90
J. M. Ashton	99	9	90
S. D. Bowers	88	3	91
G. A. Kirk	106	15	91
J. Collins	104	12	92
B. H. T. Drake	108	16	92
H. R. Burroughes	121	28	93
C. C. Worsfold	100	7	93
A. P. Luxton	99	6	93
A. W. Jones	112	14	98
P. S. Lampman	119	19	100
G. W. White	110	9	101
W. V. Burrill	110	9	101

W. E. Oliver, R. L. Macleay, D. R. Irvine, E. A. Strout, R. W. Dunsmuir, A. S. Reed, W A. Anderson, G. H. Barnard, L. O. Garnett, W. Pike, A. Robertson, C. W. Rhodes and R. Cassidy also entered but returned no score.

MIXED FOURSOMES.
(18 Holes.)

	Score.	Handicap.	Result.
P. B. Gifford, Miss King	92	7	85
Major Jones, Mrs. Burton	106	18	88
G. K. Gillespie, Mrs. Gillespie	107	19	88
H. Combe, Mrs Combe	96	8	90
D. R. Irvine, Mrs. Langley	95	5	90
P. S. Lampman, Miss M. Prior	122	31	91
H. S. Griggs, Mrs. Snow	100	8	92
C. C. Worsfold, Mrs. Jones	107	15	92
C. J. Prior, Miss Eva Loewen	107	14	93
Mr. R. Dunsmuir, Miss Wilson	112	19	93
B. H. T. Drake, Miss H. T. Drake	115	22	93
G. W. White, Mrs. J. Dunsmuir	116	22	94
A. P. Luxton, Miss Drake	100	5	95
R. L. Macleay, Miss G. Loewen	122	23	99
Mr. French, Mrs. Calthrop	126	25	101
S. D. Bowers, Mrs. Ashton	109	7	102
F. B. Pemberton, Miss B. Foster	138	36	102
Mr. Justice Martin, Mrs. F. S. Barnard..	138	31	107
Mr. J. Murray, Miss Foster	143	27	116

G. A. Kirk, Miss Harvey—No return.
J. Laing, Mrs. Laing—No return.

CHAMPIONSHIP OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

On Monday the 8th day of April play was commenced for the championship of British Columbia and the Bostock cup. The competition is decided by match play, 18 holes. The play was continued on Tuesday and Wednesday, and resulted in a victory for Mr. A. H. Goldfinch, who again defeated the former champions, Mr. H. Combe and Mr. W. E. Oliver.

The above is an official report of the tournament published at the request of the club.

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Finance and Commerce

MINING EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS.

(Furnished by A. W. More & Co., Ltd.)

Toronto, April 11. The following were the closing quotations on the Stock Exchange to-day:

	Asked.	Bid.
B. C. Gold Fields	2⅜	2
Black Tail	11	9
Brandon & Golden Crown ..	8	5
Canadian G. F. S.	7	6½
Cariboo McKinney	38	35
Craiboo Hydraulic	$1.55	$1.44
Centre Star	$1.00	76
Crow's Nest Pass Coal	$85.00	$80.00
California	5½	4½
Deer Trail Con	2¼	2¾
Evening Star	5	3
Fairview Corp	3¼	2¾
Golden Star	8	7½
Iron Mask	37	34
Knob Hill	55	45
Granby Smelter	53	46
Montreal & Londan	5	3
Morning Glory	7	3
Morrison	5½	3½
Noble Five	9	7
Olive	12	9
Payne	40	32
Rambler Cariboo Con	27	24
Republic	26½	25½
Virtue	17	10
War Eagle Con	38	30
Waterloo	2½	2
White Bear	3⅞	3⅜
Winnipeg	8	6

FORENOON SALES.

Noble Five, 500 at 8, 5,000 at 8½, 500 at 8.

White Bear, 5,000 at 3½.

Golden Star, 1,000, 1,000 at 5¾.

AFTERNOON SALES.

Republic, 500 at 26½.

DAILY MARKET QUOTATIONS.

(By B. Williams & Co., Stock Brokers.)

New York, April 11.—The following quotations ruled on the Produce Exchande today:

Wheat—

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May	76	77⅜	76	77⅛
Corn—				
May	48¾	49	48¾	49

tations ruled on the Produce Exchange totations ruled on the Stock Exchange today:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amn. Sugar ..	143¼	146¼	143¼	144⅝
Amn. Tobacco ..	129⅜	130	128¼	128⅝
People's Gas ...	111⅜	111⅜	110¼	110⅜
C. M. & St. P. .	156¼	157⅜	154⅜	154⅜
C. B. & Q.	192	192⅜	187½	188⅞
Manhattan	128⅜	128⅜	126⅜	126⅞
C. R. I. & P. ..	148	151	147½	147½
B. R. T.	83	83¼	81⅜	81⅜
A. & S. F. pfd ..	96¼	96¼	95¼	95¼
S. P. com	45¾	45¾	45	45
B. & O.	93¼	93¼	93	93
L. & N.	105	105¼	103⅜	103⅞
U. P. com	93	93⅞	92¼	92¼
Con. Tobacco ..	47	47	45¾	46⅜
U. S. Steel	48¼	49	47	47
N. P. com	99¼	99¼	97½	97½
T. C. & I.	64	64	63¼	62¼
A. & S. F. com..	64⅜	64⅜	63⅜	63⅜
W. U.	92½	93	92½	92½

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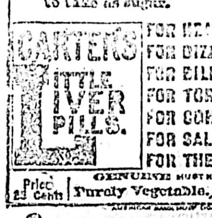

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Annual Report for the Year 1900.

Applications to the number of 13,878 have been received during the year for assurances of $13,841,872.45. The number of policies actually completed and paid for was 11,219, assuring $10,423,445.37. This exceeds the corresponding amount of the previous year by $677,136 53.

The assurances in force on the Company's books at the close of the year numbered 51,206 for $57,980 634.68, showing the very gratifying increase during the twelve months of $5,174,598 75.

The financial accounts have also kept pace with the assurance transactions. The income from premiums was $2,347,743.13, while the total income from all sources, including interest and rents, was $2,789,226.52. This is an advance of $193,019 25 beyond the figures of the last report.

The death claims continue favorable. The amount paid to the beneficiaries of deceased policyholders was $489,989.22 under 492 policies. The Company now pays on an average about fifteen hundred dollars in death claims every business day. In addition $94,241.64 was disbursed during the year to the holders of policies who had survived their endowment periods The total of the payments now made by the Company to its policyholders or their representatives since its foundation is $6,774,364.86.

The assets have been augmented by a larger sum than during any previous year in the Company's history. They have now turned the ten million dollar mark, the amount being $10.486,891.17, or $1,239,226.56 more than a year ago. The surplus also has advanced, and is now $423,657.56 over all liabilities and capital stock. In valuing the liabilities the basis used has been the Hm. table with four per cent. interest on all policies issued prior to the 31st December, 1899, and three and one-half per cent. on all policies issued since that date. This standard is very much more severe than that required by the Dominion insurance law.

In financial circles the present time is noteworthy because of the unusual demand for capital in the money markets of the world resulting from the great industrial activity prevailing in most countries, and the expenditures in connection with the South African war. Your directors believe that it is wise to take advantage of these circumstances to purchase securities which will run for long terms, so that the present high rates of interest may continue to be received even into the distant future on the investments now being made. It will be noticed that a considerable portion of the Company's assets now consists of long term bonds or preferred or guaranteed stocks of the choicest character.

The continual growth of the business decided your directors to purchase the building known as the Trafalgar Chambers, in rear of our main offices. This has been completely remodelled, and, with the exception of the flat occupied by a portion of the Company's staff, is entirely rented on most favorable terms.

INCOME.

Life Premiums—New	$480,207.01	
Renewal	1,803,447.19	
Annuities	65,372.04	
		$2,349,116.24
Less paid for Re-assurances........		1,373.11
Net Premium Income		2,347,743.13
Interest, Rents, etc........		441,483.39
Total Income........		$2,789,226.52

DISBURSEMENTS.

Death Claims, including Bonuses	$489,989.22	
Matured Endowments and Annuity Payments	132,318.42	
Cash Profits paid Policyholders.....	59,843.96	
Surrender Values	161,594.55	
Dividends on Capital	15,750.00	
All other Disbursements	675,041.18	
		$1,534,537.33
Surplus over Disbursements........		1,254,689.19
		$2,789,226.52

ASSETS.

Provincial Government, Municipal and other Bonds, market value	$5,343,145.02
Stocks market value........	643,468.06
First Mortgages on Real Estate, including Ground Rents	3,666,495.72
Real Estate, including Company's Buildings ...	1,072,072.66
Loans on Company's Policies	841,670.97
Cash in Banks and on hand........	254,515.10
Other Assets........	665,523.64
Net Assets	$10,486,891.17

(Including Uncalled Capital the Total Assets are $11,081,891.17)

LIABILITIES.

Net Reserves, according to the Hm. table with 4% interest, on policies issued prior to 31st December, 1899, and 3½% on those issued thereafter		$9,817,610.01
All other Liabilities		140,623.60
Total Liabilities		$9,958,233.61
Cash Surplus to Policyholders by Hm. 4% and 3½% Standards, as above		528,657.56
Capital Paid-up	$105,000.00	
Net Surplus over all Liabilities and Capital	423,657.56	
Over all Liabilities, except Capital.	528,657.56	
Including Subscribed but Uncalled Capital the Surplus on above basis is........	1,123,657.56	
		$10,486,891.17

POINTS FROM THE REPORT.

Assurances issued and paid for........	$10,423,445.37
Increase over 1899	677,136.53
Cash Income from Premiums and Interest.......	2,789,226.52
Increase over 1899	193,019.25
Assets at 31st December, 1900	10,486,891.17
Increase over 1899	1,239,226.56
Undivided Surplus over all Liabilities except Capital (according to the Company's Standard, the Hm. Table, with 4% interest on policies issued before 31st December, 1899, and 3½% on those issued since)........	528,657.56
Increase over 1899	50,353.11
In addition to profits given during the year to policies entitled thereto........	59,843.96
Making a total paid or accrued during the year of........	110,197.07
Death Claims, Matured Endowments, Profits and all other payments to Policyholders during 1900........	843,771.86
Death Claims, Matured Endowments Profits and all other payments to Policyholders to 31st Dec., 1900	6,774,364.86
Life Assurances in force, Dec. 31st, 1900	57,980,634.68

Auditors' Certificate.

MONTREAL, March 15th, 1901.

We hereby certify the correctness of the above statement.

P. S. ROSS & SONS,
Chartered Accountants.

PROGRESS.

	INCOME.	Net Assets exclusive of Uncalled Capital	Life Assurances in Force.
1890........	$ 889,078 87	$ 2,473,514.19	$ 16,759,355.92
1900........	2,789 226.52	10,486,891.17	57,980,634.68
Increase	$1,900,147.65	$8,013,376.98	$41,221,278.76

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HOW TO FATTEN QUAIL.

Kept in a Dark Room They Feed Whenever They Think It's Sunrise.

From London Express.

"Nice, plump birds, ain't they, sir "

It was in Leadenhall market, and the speaker was a nondescript person, with a suggestion of feathers and the loose hairs of dogs about him. The reference to plumpness applied to many rows of quails displayed on the stall of a poulterer; and the man seemed to gloat lovingly over the array of little birds.

They were admittedly plump.

"I stuffed them birds," he continued, discursively.

"But they're not stuffed birds; they're real."

"Garn" he remarked with scorn. "I don't mean the coves as fills a bird's skin with feathers and put 'im on a wire under a glass shade. We stuff 'em for the market to get 'em fat. Lor' bless ye, when them birds come from Egypt—that's where they breed 'em, mostly—there ain't a pickin' of flesh on their bones. We feeds em up, artificial."

"Rather slow work, isn't it? You cram them, I suppose, like turkeys?"

"Who are you gettin' at, mister? D'ye mean to say you don't know 'ow they fatten quails for table? No? Why, it's all done by e-lectric light. Yes, and we gets 'em plump in less'n a week.

"You see, when the quails come to us they're in big crates—cages like. We take 'em to a big cellar, underground, turns off the electric light, and let 'em 'ave a sleep. Then we turn the light on and give 'em a feed.

"Quails, you see, eats fust thing in the morning, and eats 'earty. So they eats a 'eavy breakfast, and then we turns out the lights, and they go to sleep again."

"Seems simple enough. But what makes them fatten so quickly?"

"Why, in two hours we turns on the light again, and the silly birds wakes up and thinks it's to-morrow—not knowin', d'ye see, wot electric light is. So as the sun's up, accordin' to their belief, they sets to and 'as another breakfast. Then we turns off the light again, gives 'em another nap, rouses 'em again, gives 'em another breakfast, an' there you are.

"I've known the birds feed as many as six times of a arternoon, thinkin' each time they wuk up it was next mornin'."

"How does their appetite last out? Don't they feel a bit full?"

"Full ain't the word. Stuffed to the neck, they are. But they know it's their dooty to eat when the sun rises, an' they do it. Some of 'em that's a bit old and artful, they suspects a bit.

"I've seen an old cock bird squint up at the light and then at his food, and shake his wings, and peck at the place where 'is stomach is a-givin' 'im trouble. Then he begins to refuse 'is food, and takes to frettin,' and won't fatten no more.

"'Om sickness, some days it is; but not me. The little beggar 'as dyspepsy, that's all, and goes through the same feelin's as the coves you read about in the papers that 'as saved their lives by takin' to Buffin's Blue Pills for Bilious Blokes.

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TIME TABLE NO. 41. IN EFFECT MARCH 23rd, 1901.

Northbound.	Daily A.M.	Sat. & Sun. P.M.
Leave Victoria	9.00	4.25
Leave Shawnigan Lake	10.15	5.42
Leave Alderlea (Duncans)	10.56	6.20
Leave Chemainus	11.27	6.50
Leave Ladysmith	11.47	7.10
	P.M.	
Leave Nanaimo	12.45	8.02
Arrive Wellington	1.00	8.17

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Alaskan Boundary—C.P.R. Land Taxation Problem—Canada's Mineral Output.

For Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, April 6.—In the Conservative press of recent years little precedent can be found for saying a good word about J. Israel Tarte. Among the things for which he has been severely criticized has been his conduct at Paris while he was there as Canadian commissioner at the Exhibition. And yet as the facts come out, there is getting to be more and more ground for beleving that, on this occasion at any rate, he did his duty as a man and a Patriot. But for him Canada would have been disgraced at Paris and her trade interests injured instead of being, as they were, materially benefited. It was he who made the Canadian building presentable and it was he who insisted upon a proper recognition of the dignity of this country. It is to be regretted that he found himself compelled to struggle against the indifference, if not the positive hostility, of the accredited representatives of Great Britain, but when the fight was thrust upon him he fought well and successfully. A batch of correspondence relating to the subject was laid upon the table of the house the other day, and every line of it shows that Mr. Tarte was the right man in the right place. Canada spent a very considerable sum of money on that Exhibition and, as is apparently inevitable in public expenditures, a certain percentage of it was wasted, but all the same, one cannot help thinking that it would have been better to allow Mr. Tarte a freer hand on the social side of his mission, because he is a man who knows how to do that kind of thing just right. During the last session of parliament the charge was freely made and widely believed that the speeches delivered by the minister of public works while abroad had a certain tinge of disloyalty. Mr. Tarte, in so far as he has ever taken the trouble to offer any explanation at all, has always declared that these speeches as cabled over here, were a deliberate misrepresentation of what he really said. It is a matter which has ceased to be of any particular importance since the election, but his record at Paris is being so amply vindicated in other respects that one cannot help suspecting that his real offence was not so much disloyalty to the Empire as it was his refusal to allow a gang of English grafters to continue feathering their nests at the expense of Canada.

A succinct and clear explanation as to the temporary Alaska Boundary line appears in the report of the Northwest Mounted Police for 1900 under the name of S. M. Fraser, assistant surgeon commanding the Dalton Trail detachment. He says: "A good deal of country which has hitherto been recognized as part of Alaska, U. S., became Canadian territory by the establishment of the provisional boundary which was surveyed by the boundary commission during the months of June and July of this year. The line commences at a peak west of Porcupine creek and runs in a northeasterly direction towards another peak to the Klehini river, thence following its right bank to the junction of the Chilcat river, about a mile and a half above Kluckwan, an Indian village. The boundary thence runs to the summit of a peak east of Chilcat river. This places Porcupine, McKinley, Calhoone and other creeks with United States territory; but Glacier, Boulder, Slate and a few others which were staked under United States mining laws are now in British Columbia, part of what is known as the Porcupine district being in the United States and another part holding the same name, in British Columbia." Mr. Fraser also mentions that there has been trouble with American miners in that portion of the Porcupine district which was previously regarded as United States territory. These miners have a fixed idea that the territory will soon again come under United States jurisdiction, and they refuse to apply to Canadian authorities for confirmation of the title to their claims. Such a state of affairs is necessarily unsatisfactory. The upshot will probably be that these men will lose their claims, and will then try to make it an international grievance. By the time they get through they will be rich in experience, if in nothing else.

The question of the exemption of C. P. R. lands from taxation keeps coming up continually. Another day in the house was devoted to it this week, and a promise was extracted from the government that whenever any western municipality shall bring a test case into court the Dominion will pay the cost of securing an authoritative interpretation of the contract. The western men, with the exception of a few irreconcilables, have abandoned the contention that the twenty year period of exemption expired last February, and they are now advocating the view that it expired twenty years from the time the lands were earned. This would make the whole of the C. P. R. lands taxable in 1906. During the discussion last Wednesday two suggestions were thrown out which appeared to be new. One came from Mr. Borden, leader of the opposition, who expressed the opinion that a solution of the problem might be obtained if parliament were to pass an act declaring that the exemption had ceased and undertaking to indemnify the C. P. R. if the courts should eventually decide that this was not correct. By this arrangement western municipalities could begin taxing C. P. R. lands at once, and if this should finally be declared illegal, the Dominion treasury would have to foot the bill. It is an idea which will probably not be received with any great enthusiasm in Eastern Canada. The other suggestion which the discussion brought out came from Mr. Clarke Wallace, who claims that the twenty years' exemption merely means that the railway was given that much time in which to patent its lands and as soon as they were patented they became liable to taxation. This has the merit of novelty, and may perhaps be held to have also the appearance of justice. If the courts could be induced to accept it everybody would be happy except the railway.

An adjournment of five days has been taken over Easter. Members are not showing as much anxiety to get through business as they did earlier in the session. When the question of the Easter adjournment first came up, Sir Louis Davies said it would be from Thursday evening until the following Tuesday, "unless there is a very strong expression of the house to the contrary." The hint was enough, and the expression of the house to the contrary was duly forthcoming, with the result that the adjournment was taken a day earlier than had been originally intended. There are now sixteen working days left in this month, and it is not probable that these will suffice to finish the business of the session. Not to mention a great mass of estimates, the house will still have to consider such large matters as the Crow's Nest railway and the Manitoba railway deal which are bound to take up a good deal of time. There is also the bill which the government has promised for establishing a mint in Canada. This last measure is being delayed for some mysterious reason, but the minister of finance has not intimated any intention of dropping it.

The Geological Survey in its unrevised statement of the mineral production of 1900 puts the total value at $63,775,000. For the year 1899 the value was $49,584,000. The increase of over fourteen millions, is the largest in the record, which goes back to 1886, when the total output reported was only $10,221,000. The increase in fifteen years, therefore, has been over 500 per cent. Its progress is shown by the following figures:

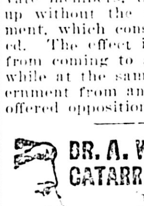
1886	$10,221,255
1890	16,763,353
1896	22,584,513
1897	28,661,430
1898	38,697,021
1899	49,584,027
1900	63,775,690

The period of greatest growth has been since 1894, and the Pacific Coast has contributed most to it, the Yukon gold output of last year being put at $22,257,000. All metallic products, however, show an improvement, as do the non-metallic and structural materials. There is reason to expect also that the progress will be continued, to the general benefit, and that in a few years the Canadian mineral output, which has grown from $2.23 per head of population in 1896, and $8.90 in 1899, to $11.84 in 1900, will reach, if it does not exceed, the high United States figure of $15 per head.

Apparently the Imperial authorities are still pursuing their plan for a reorganization of the judicial committee of the Privy Council. A question asked by Mr. Hughes the other day elicted from the Premier an acknowledgement that the government of Canada has been invited to send a representative to England to attend a consultation on the subject. No representative has yet been appointed, but there can be no question that the invitation will be accepted in due time. If the self-governing colonies are to have representatives on the judicial committee of the Privy Council, as Mr. Chamberlain is understood to be proposing, Sir Wilfrid Laurier will, in all human probability, take the job himself. It would give him a position of dignity with a comfortable salary attached. So far as the law is concerned, Sir Wilfrid is not reputed to know very much about procedure, but if experience counts for anything, he ought to be pretty well posted on constitutional questions such as naturally come before such a tribunal.

After a series of bickerings which have extended over several years, something approaching a general agreement has been reached as to what kind of alien labor law Canada should have. The representatives of the labor unions declare that they have no desire to keep out of Canada skilled labor such as cannot be obtained here. What they want is adequate security that in disputes between capital and labor the employer shall not be allowed to bring men from the United States to take the place of strikers. In addition to these matters there is the question as to the position of large numbers of people who make their homes in our border towns and are employed in the United States. Obviously, no law can be passed here which would irritate the United States into interfering with this portion of our population. All these points, however, and some others of comparatively minor importance, are fairly well covered in the measure which the government have brought down. There remains the essential question as to whether they have provided such machinery as will make the law anything more than a dead letter as has hitherto been the case. As to this, there is a decided difference of opinion, and the government are moving rather too cautiously to suit the advocates of the interests of labor.

A rather neat parliamentary trick has been played in connection with a notice of motion given some time ago by Mr. Logan to the effect that the preferential tariff should be allowed only on goods entering this country at a Canadian seaport. This is an idea which the government do not care to have discussed because it would probably receive an inconveniently large amount of support. Mr. Logan is a friend of the government, and is willing to help them out when they are in a tight place. Accordingly he allowed his notice of motion to stand on the order paper day after day, although he had plenty of opportunities for bringing on a discussion, had he so desired. Now that no more days this session will be allotted to private members, the motion cannot come up without the consent of the government, which consent will not be obtained. The effect is to prevent the house from coming to a vote on the question, while at the same time freeing the government from any appearance of having offered opposition to it.



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BRIDGE TRAFFIC.

To the Editor.

Sir,—Permit me, through your columns to call the attention of the responsible city authorities to the importance of regulating the traffic over the temporary Point Ellice bridge. This afternoon there were five two-horse drays, close together, heavily laden with ammunition (probably weighing four tons each, with the horses) on the bridge at the same time as the tram car. The strain upon the bridge was very perceptible to the passengers, while the car waited to cross the span, a distinct rocking motion being transmitted to the stationary car from the heavily strained timbers.

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PERSONAL.

J. A. Hinton arrived from Vancouver on the Charmer last evening.

M. Lenz, returned from the Sound yesterday morning by the Utopia.

E. J. Palmer and G. T. Porter left for Seattle on the Rosalie last night.

Capt. C. Anderson and wife, Honolulu, are guests of the Hotel Victoria.

Miss Bertha Packard, of San Francisco, is a guest of the Hotel Vernon.

Rev. Father Althoff returned from Port Townsend on the Rosalie yesterday.

D. B. Hoskel and A. G. Price, Tacoma, registered at the Dominion hotel last evening.

Geo. L'Abbe and wife, Seattle, arrived from the Sound last evening and are at the Driard.

John R. Wright of Montreal, and E. Alcorn, of Vancouver, are registered at the Vernon.

F. W. Foster and E. Dewdney were among the passengers from the Mainland last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart, Woodstock, Ont., arrived from the East yesterday, and are at the Driard.

G. W. Lawson and Morton E. Ellis, two commercial men of Toronto, are guests of the Hotel Vernon.

W. E. Morrison, a merchant of Extension, is staying at the Dominion. He arrived in the city yesterday.

M. Hirschbaum, the genial traveller from San Francisco, arrived on the Rosalie yesterday on a business trip.

Capt. A. A. Sears and wife, who have been on a short visit to Seattle, returned home on the Rosalie yesterday.

J. S. Pitts and wife and Miss Mackay, of St. John's, are at the Driard. They arrived from the East yesterday.

Capt. N. McCallum, wife and son, of Glasgow, Scotland, arrived in the city last evening and are at the Dominion.

Curtis Gardner and M. E. Bowman, of Portland, Ore., were arrivals from the Sound who registered at the Dominion yesterday.

H. C. Bennett, London, England, is staying at the Dominion. He has just arrived from England and is returning to Dawson.

H. McLean, of McLean Bros., the well known contractors, arrived from the Mainland last evening and is staying at the Dominion.

T. Taylor, M. P. P. for Revelstoke, was a passenger to the Mainland yesterday morning on his way to Revelstoke to interview his constituents.

Capt. G. G. Haley, of Seattle, is registered at the Dominion hotel. He has been on the Yukon in past seasons and is on his way north again.

Dr. Jones, brother of Dr. O. M. Jones, left on the Rosalie last evening for England, travelling via the Great Northern and steamship Campania.

Charles Holmes and W. J. Holmes, two prominent Somenos ranchers, are spending a day or so in the city. They are at the Hotel Dominion.

Capt. Harrison, of the British bark Senator, now in the Roads, loaded for sea, is staying at the Hotel Victoria. He expects to sail in a day or so.

Mrs. A. McBride, mother of Hon. Richard McBride, is down from New Westminster, visiting the Minister of Mines at his residence on Victoria Crescent.

F. J. Wheeler, general agent of the Great Northern Railway Company, Vancouver, and E. V. Bodwell, were amongst the Rosalie's home-bound passengers yesterday.

J. W. W. Stewart, of Vancouver, provincial manager of the Imperial Life Company, arrived from the Mainland last evening and is staying at the Dominion.

T. U. Durrand, formerly representative in this city for the brokerage firm of Durand Brothers & Co., has been appointed cashier of the W. A. T. & T. Co. of Seattle at their Dawson branch.

D. A. Upper, J. Keith-Wilson and daughter, Miss Pemberton and F. J. Patton were amongst a large crowd going out on the Rosalie last evening to attend the Seattle kennel show at Seattle.

Jas. Stables, M. P. P., of Atlin, was a passenger to Vancouver last night. He will spend the remaining days of the recess between Vancouver and New Westminster, returning on Sunday or Monday.

G. E. Black, Seattle; E. Brandenstein, San Francisco; C. H. Hand, Butte, Mont.; R. H. Shipley, Leadville, Colo.; H. F. Thomas, New York; and W. S. McGregor, Toronto, are among those who registered at the Driard yesterday.

Lt.-Col. Holmes, the district officer commanding, arrived from the East on Wednesday. Col. Holmes, who has recently been in command at Toronto, was formerly deputy adjutant-general stationed here, and was succeeded by Lt.-Col. Peters, who is now in Montreal.

J. Francis Lee, traffic manager of the White Pass road, arrived from the Mainland last evening, having reached Vancouver yesterday morning by the steamer Mainlander from Seattle. Mr. Lee is well satisfied with the way things are going in northern business. He says freight going north is heavier than at this time last year.

H. Darling, the superintendent of the White Pass Company's steamers on the Yukon, is in the city. He arrived from the Mainland last evening with Mrs. Darling, and they are registered at the Driard.

W. Struthers, J. Condon and L. Kirkpatrick are three mining men from Port Renfrew, who arrived in the city yesterday, and are staying at the Dominion. Some considerable development in properties at that point on the West Coast is now going on.

MEETINGS AND AMUSEMENTS

The "Preliminary Series" of Drill hall concerts, which will commence with tomorrow evening's concert, promises to be one of the best of the season. The programme has been carefully chosen, and includes quite a few "first-time" numbers. Chief among these is the selection "Reminiscenses of Bellini," containing all the favorite arias and cavatinas from the many operas of this great writer. Mrs. Jennie Houghton Edmunds, soprano soloist, of Seattle, will be the extra attraction. The "season ticket" series of concerts having expired, season tickets are not good for future concerts.

THE FIRE-FIGHTERS.

Something About the Brigades in London and Glasgow.

From Windsor Magazine.

One great point of contrast between the fire-fighting systems of the Old World and those of America is the fact that very few of our European chiefs have been trained, or have worked their way up, as firemen. In London the chief officer of the fire brigade is from the navy, and nine-tenths of the men under his command are sailors; while in Glasgow the chief officer is a master mechanic by trade, and every fireman must be a skilled worker of some kind. In Paris the chief must be a soldier, and the department is a regiment of infantry placed at the disposal of the city of Paris by the war office; and in Berlin the chief and most of the men are veteran soldiers, though some are artisans and mechanics.

A few years ago the Metropolitan fire brigade of London was declared by competent foreign critics to be unworthy of the greatest city in the world. Under the administration of the London county council, however, such great improvement has been effected that the brigade, on the whole, has now nothing to fear from comparison with that of New York, Paris or Berlin. The best test of fire-fighting efficiency is considered to be the proportion of serious fires, requiring at least one steam engine for their extinction, to the total number of outbreaks. During the three years 1890-92 the number of outbreaks in London was 8,593, of which 523 were classified as "serious." In 1897-99 the number of outbreaks was 10,929, and if they had increased at the same rate, the "serious" fires would have been 700—in point of fact they were only 589.

The Metropolitan fire brigade was established in 1866. Until that time London was protected from fire mainly by a force paid for and controlled by the fire insurance companies. By an arrangement peculiar to London, the insurance companies, although they have no longer any part in the management of the brigade, are still legally required to contribute to its cost. Their contribution is at the rate of £35 per million of insurance effected in the metropolitan area, and in 1899 amounted to £32,494, or not quite one-sixth of the cost of maintaining the brigade. Twenty-years ago London's fire-fighters, all told, were less than 500; to-day they number between 1,100 and 1,200. Commander Wells, the chief, is assisted by a first, second and third officer, and there is a superintendent for the six districts into which the metropolis is divided. To enable this small army to defend the lives and property of 5,000,000 people from fire, there are 196 escapes, 62 engines, 235 horses, 14 river stations, 14 tugs and barges, 41 miles of hose, and over 25,000 hydrants in the streets. It is not merely, nor mainly, however, in the increased number of the fire-fighters and the augmented quantity of his weapons that London has seen the greatest progress in recent years. The London county council has been carrying out the rebuilding or reconstructing of many of the brigade stations which it inherited from the Metropolitan board of works. Two of its new stations, at New Cross and Bishopsgate, rival anything which America or the Continet has to show in the way of scientific ingenuity and up-to-date apparati. If all the London stations have not been brought to the same ideal level of efficiency, the most backward and really obsolete features have disappeared.

The Glasgow fire brigade is a magnificent one, and has probably no superior in Great Britain. The brigade consists of 11 steam fire engines, 2 hand engines, 10 horse hose and ladder carriages, 1 hand hose carriage, 36 horses and 115 men; and every man must have had a trade before he enters the brigade. They are joiners, builders, slaters, plumbers, painters, blacksmiths, engineers and shoemakers. With the exception of the steam fire engines, the members of the brigade make all the running plant, the ladders and other implements of wood and iron, the electric fire alarms, and their own helmets and boots. Even the steam fire engines never go back for repairs. A new central station, which is to be a model fire station in every respect and for every country, is being built under Chief Paterson's direction, after his own plans, and much of the work is being done by his own men. The chief officer of the Glasgow brigade is a splendid specimen of the typical fireman—bluff and hearty, honest and hard-working, with heart and soul in his profession. In reply to the question, "Of what are you most proud as chief?" the modest reply was, "Of having attended between five and six thousand fires without losing a single fireman; and I am also very proud of my officers and men. Of course," he added, "firemen do not escape injury, but they generally 'come up smiling,' as the saying is; and, besides, it's part of the regular business."

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THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office, Victoria, April 11—8 p. m.

SYNOPSIS.

The pressure has increased over the North Pacific States and British Columbia, and the storm area of yesterday is now central at Medicine Hat, and is slowly passing eastward. Fresh westerly winds have been caused in this section today by the movement of the high area. Light rain has fallen on the Oregon coast, at New Westminster and Barkerville, and at the last named place rain is still falling. With these exceptions fair and seasonable weather has been general from the ocean to the lakes.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	46	51
New Westminster	46	54
Kamloops	54	68
Barkerville	34	54
Calgary	36	60
Winnipeg	34	58
Portland, Ore	52	60
San Francisco, Cal	46	58

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific time), Friday:

Victoria and Vicinity: Moderate or fresh westerly and southerly winds, continued fair and cool.

Lower Mainland: Light or moderate westerly winds, partly cloudy, stationary or lower temperature.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Observations taken daily at 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 11.

	Deg.		Deg.
5 a.m.	50	Mean	48
Noon	47	Highest	51
5 p.m.	48	Lowest	46

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. ..... 20 miles west.
Noon ..... 28 miles west.
5 p.m. ..... 16 miles southwest.

Average state of weather—Fair.
Rain and melted snow—.01 inch.
Sunshine—8 hours .06 minutes.
Barometer at noon—Observed 30.292
Corrected 30.303

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Barometer at 5 p. m.—Corrected 30.28

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VICTORIA TIDES.

For the month of April, 1901.
(Issued by the Tidal Survey Branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

The zero of the accompanying scale corresponds to the average lowest yearly tide, and 18.3 feet above the sill of the Esquimalt Dry Dock.

The time used is Pacific Standard for the 120 meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot.

Date.	Day.	Time.	Ht.	Time.	Ht.	Time.	Ht.	Time.	Ht.
1	M..	1 32	7.3	7 50	4.8	13 30	6.7	19 14	4.0
2	Tu ..	1 35	7.4	8 25	4.3	14 33	6.6	19 54	4.5
3	W ..	1 46	7.6	8 57	3.8	15 30	6.7	20 33	4.9
4	Th ..	2 04	7.8	9 30	3.4	16 26	6.6	21 10	5.
5	F...	2 28	7.9	10.4	3.0	17 23	6.6	21 44	5.8
6	Sa..	2 55	8.0	10 40	2.8	18 21	6.6	22 12	6.1
7	S...	3 20	8.0	11 19	2.7	20 24	6.6	22 32	6.6
8	M...	3 40	8.0	12 02	2.6	..	..	..	..
9	Tu..	3 56	8.0	12 49	2.6	..	..	..	..
10	W..	..	..	..	..	4 03	7.9	13 40	2.6
11	Th..	..	..	..	..	4 26	7.7	14 35	2.6
12	F...	1 43	7.4	3 08	7.3	5 15	7.4	15 33	2.6
13	Sa..	0 45	7.2	4 51	6.7	7 22	6.8	16 28	2.7
14	S...	0 08	7.2	5 38	6.0	10 21	6.7	17 21	2.9
15	M...	0 06	7.4	6 23	5.1	11 49	6.7	18 12	3.3
16	Tu..	0 26	7.7	7 06	4.1	13 10	6.9	19 01	3.8
17	W...	0 55	8.0	7 48	3.1	14 25	7.1	19 46	4.3
18	Th..	1 26	8.4	8 31	2.1	15 35	7.2	20 29	5.0
19	F...	1 50	8.7	9 16	1.3	16 45	7.4	21 14	5.6
20	Sa..	2 33	8.9	10 04	0.8	17 57	7.5	22 01	6.1
21	S...	3 08	9.0	10 55	0.5	19 11	7.5	22 50	6.6
22	M...	3 43	8.8	11 48	0.6	20 29	7.6	23 45	6.9
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26	F...	4 39	6.3	7 45	6.3	15 23	2.7	23 47	7.6
27	Sa..	6 02	5.5	9 53	5.9	16 13	3.4	23 48	7.5
28	S...	6 50	4.8	11 44	5.8	17 03	3.9	23 53	7.5
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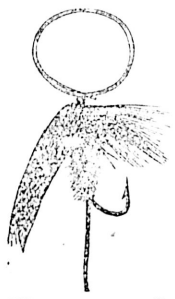

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Overcrowding Of the Schools

Pupils Refused Admission to the Central as There Is No Room.

Report of Architect as to Repairs Required to Various Buildings.

At the monthly meeting of the board of school trustees an application from Superintendent Eaton for a leave of absence to recuperate after his recent severe illness was granted to May 1. Communications from the city clerk, acknowledging the request of the school board for the submission of a by-law to raise the money for a new High school building and requesting the school board to present a petition from the ratepayers in the proportion required by law, were received and filed. A report was received from Dr. Fraser, city health officer, as to the health of the school children. Miss Sylvester wrote thanking the board for an increase in salary, and E. O. Scholefield asked for the annual reports of the board. The letters were acted upon in the usual manner.

In answer to a request from Mr. E. C. B. Bagshawe for a share of the insurance of the school buildings, a resolution was passed to the effect that there would be no readjustment of the insurance until the proper time.

A report from the finance committee recommending the payment of accounts amounting to $230.25 was adopted.

Supt. Eaton reported the attendance at the schools for the month of March as follows: Actual enrollment, 2,548; actual average, 2,238.82; attendance, percentage, 87.8; punctuality percentage, 99.9. In connection with this report, Trustee Belyea took occasion to point out that the Central school was greatly overcrowded, many pupils having been refused admission since Easter as there was no room for them. The other schools, he said, were also overcrowded and the question of providing more room must be taken up at once. Even if they did not exclude all children residing outside the city limits and all those over 16 years of age next term there would not be room for those entitled to attend. Even with the erection of the new High school building, 150 pupils would be crowded out. On this same matter Supt. Eaton wrote as follows:

April 10, 1901.

Trustees of Victoria Schools:

Mrs. Grant and Gentlemen:—Permit me to call your attention again to the over-crowded condition of the Central schools. In nearly all the divisions, and particularly in the lowest, the numbers have already exceeded the limit at which good work can be done, and healthful class room conditions maintained.

The Kingston street school also requires another teacher as soon as the vacant class room can be furnished.

F. H. EATON.

The subject will be dealt with at a special meeting.

The report of Architect Keith as to the repairs required at the various schools was considered in committee of the whole, the committee rising reporting progress and asking leave to sit again. The report follows:

Girls' School.

The gutters and eaves generally require a thorough overhauling.

The flooring in the four class rooms in the east wing is in very bad condition, and should be taken up and replaced with new.

The teachers in the third and fourth divisions request that the platforms in these rooms be enlarged.

High School.

The gutters need seeing to, and the deck of the roof leaks in many places; this should be retinned. There is also a bad leak in the cloak room.

The principal reports that the ventilation though improved, is not satisfactory. This seems to be owing to lack of air space under the floors, particularly in Miss Watson's room. Nothing can be done to completely remedy this without very radical changes in the building, though more ventilation gratings might be of some advantage.

Boys' School.

The gutters must be cleaned out and repaired, and the down pipes are in a very bad condition, and at least 50 feet run of them must be replaced with new. They are not now connected with the drains; this must be done and the drains cleaned.

The floors in the fourth and fifth divisions are in a bad state and should have new floors laid in them, and part of the black board in the latter must be replaced. Other floors require patching.

There are no cupboards or even shelves for the use of teachers (except in the principal's room where shelves have been put up by the janitor), and the principal requests that these should be provided.

The tap in the yard near the entrance should have hopper under it connected with the drain from the adjoining down pipe.

Gymnasium.

Gutters must be cleaned and repaired and down pipe made good.

There are leaks from the windows, and all window catches must be seen to.

North Ward School.

All gutters must be cleaned out.

Three windows in Miss Dowler's room will not open.

Stile of door in children's lunch room is split.

There is a leak from roof over manual training room.

The class rooms with eastern aspect are dark in the afternoon and should be kalsomined.

There are several leaks from radiators and from the main in girls' basement.

Four radiators are not in use owing to new loop being required for each.

Three sills on south side should be cemented.

The principal informed me that walks are very much needed by which the children can approach the school; in wet weather they cannot do so without getting their feet wet. He also requests that the grounds may be improved slightly.

Hillside School.

Picket fence is broken down on Kings road; this might be replaced with posts and rails instead of pickets.

Gutters must be cleaned out.

There are several leaks in roof and plaster from ceiling at one point has fallen from this cause.

Floors must be patched in several places.

Walls and ceiling are in bad condition and ought to be kalsomined.

The internal wood work should be painted throughout; the wainscoat of the cloak rooms especially is in a very bad state.

The black boards also require painting.

Cupboards for teachers are asked for, and a window shelf in one class room.

Chimney in principal's room does not draw well; it apparently needs sweeping.

With a view of ascertaining the possibility of having closets connected with the sewer, I called on the city engineer, who informed me that to continue the Kings road sewer as far as the school would cost about $2,000. This being so, in my estimate I have only provided for increasing the present arrangements.

The principal requested me to call the attention of your board to the fact that the school yard is very undesirable for drill.

South Park School.

Gutters must be cleaned out.

There is a leak from roof of lean-to over the south door.

Plaster in several places needs patching.

Play basement and lavatories require white washing.

T. and G. boarding should be put on landing to replace plaster, which is loose, and base against lath and plaster partition in lavatory is required.

Bolts on doors must be seen to and stop put on south door.

The principal states that the ventilation is not satisfactory. Some improvement in this respect could be effected by dividing the large air shafts; this would reduce the body of cold air which has to be heated in order to cause an up draught.

Kingston Street School.

All gutters must be cleaned out and repaired.

There are some leaks from roof.

The woodshed should be reshingled.

Fence of east of lot needs repair.

There is no mould in one of the class rooms over the black board.

New bolt required for side entrance.

There are no cupboards for the use of teachers.

Platform from front gate to entrance needs repair.

With regard to drainage, I find that it is impossible to have connection with the sewer as the school is in the "pumping area;" nothing can be done till the whole system of sewerage is complete with pumping station.

Spring Ridge School.

Gutters must be cleaned out.

Doors and locks must be seen to.

The principal requests that a window board be put in her room.

It was pointed out to me that there are no play sheds, and that the yard should be gravelled.

Victoria West School.

Gutters generally must be cleaned out and repaired.

A gate for teams should be put in northwest angle of site; the pathways in the grounds have been broken by teams with fuel passing over them.

Platforms at entrance need repairing generally.

There are several leaks from the roof.

The plaster black board is broken behind the stove; this should be taken down and replaced with wainscot.

Doors, hinges and locks need attention.

The third division class room is too small, being only 19 by 26 for forty pupils. This can be enlarged 9 by 25 by extending it forward.

Rock Bay School.

Gutters must be cleaned out.

There are leaks at chimneys and windows.

Locks must be seen to.

There are no cupboards or shelves for the use of the teachers.

It is requested that a play shed be provided and the yard gravelled.

The question of teachers' salaries will be considered at a special meeting.

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Admiralty Court Case

Damage Suit of Abby Palmer Versus C. P. R. Steamship Co.

Evidence of Captain Pybus of Empress of Japan Contradicts Another Witness.

Mr. Justice Martin, sitting in the Admiralty court yesterday began the hearing of the suit of Smith vs. Empress of Japan for damages claimed by reason of the collision of the Empress with the bark Abbey Palmer last November. Two of the officers of His Majesty's fleet at Esquimalt, Lieut. Montagu S. Hulton and Navigating Lieutenant James D. D. Stewart, sat with him as nautical assessors. The plaintiff, Smith, master of the bark, was represented by Mr. J. W. Taylor, and Messrs. E. P. Davis, A. P. Luxton and H. Dallas Helmcken appeared for the defendants, the C. P. R. Co. The conduct of the case was in the hands of Messrs. Drake, Jackson & Helmcken. The interest felt in the case among marine men was evidenced by the number of spectators who were present all day.

Counsel for the plaintiff opened the case by briefly reciting the circumstances of the collision, which have been published before, both at the time of the accident and after the preliminary hearing of the case, some time ago.

The first witness called was Wm. Williams, second officer of the Abbey Palmer. The gist of his evidence was the same as he gave at the preliminary hearing, and was to the effect that he was on watch when the accident occurred. The accident happened at about 2:40 o'clock in the morning, and the vessel was making 6 or 7 miles per hour on the starboard tack. The lookout had reported a light to starboard and he had asked if the bark's lights were right, receiving an affirmative answer. He had further satisfied himself by personally examining the lights. He had found the lights burning brightly, and saw a red light on the Empress. The latter did not show the green light, which would have happened if she had dropped astern of the bark, but she apparently held her course. The witness, after giving his testimony, was cross-examined at length by Mr. Davis and the court adjourned until the afternoon, when the evidence of the captain of the bark was taken. Capt. Ulberg was the first witness called in the afternoon. Examined by Mr. Taylor, he told the story of the collision from his point of view. He did not witness the actual collision, as he was in his cabin, but described the condition of affairs when he came on deck. He showed the position of the vessels by means of two small models and a chart, and gave general evidence as to direction of the wind, state of weather and the orders he had given the man at the wheel, in support of the contention as to the bark's course at the time of the accident.

Inspector Thompson gave his opinion as to the position of the vessels when they struck, judged from the nature of the injuries to the Empress.

Quartermaster Clark, of the Empress, told of calling Capt. Pybus from his cabin, immediately previous to the collision, and of the captain's orders to stop the engines. In cross-examination, Mr. Davis endeavored without success to show that Clark had been promised a reward from the owners of the Palmer if they succeeded in their suit. He admitted that he was paid $50 a month while waiting to give evidence.

Mr. Taylor then read the evidence of six of the crew of the Abbey Palmer given at the preliminary hearing, and which appeared in the Colonist at the time. Robert Sudden, one of the plaintiffs, was called to prove the ownership of the Abbey Palmer, and her seaworthiness.

This closed the case for the plaintiff.

Mr. Davis called Capt. Pybus, of the Empress of Japan. Capt. Pybus said he had been on deck till midnight, and had then left the second officer on watch. When in his cabin, which he described as being about twelve feet from the bridge, he had heard the order to port. Almost immediately the order had been followed by a hard a-port and he had also heard the officer say, "call the captain," and he started to go to the bridge. At the door the quartermaster had met him on his way to call him as ordered by the officer of the watch. Capt. Pybus said he was on the bridge when the vessels struck, and he had not seen any light, though he looked particularly. He described minutely the manner of the collision, and told how the vessel was steering at the time. From the order to port to the time of the accident the vessel had fallen off her course four points. He said he had ordered an observation to determine this. As soon as the Palmer had cleared she had not stopped, but put her helm hard down and sailed away. When the vessels cleared he himself had hailed the other ship and asked if anything serious had been sustained and if he could render any assistance, but he received no reply. The first officer had also hailed from the lower deck and had not been answered, either. He said when the vessels struck the Palmer had evidently tried to change her course for her sails were slack and flapping. She had immediately sailed away, and he said the time altogether from the moment he had reached the bridge till the vessel had disappeared was four minutes. Asked as to the truth of the statement of the witness Clark, as to his not having been on the bridge when the vessels struck, Capt. Pybus said it was absolutely false.

He showed a number of photographs and drawings which demonstrated the positions of the vessels relatively when they met. These were also put in as exhibits and a model of the Empress, showing where she was struck was another aid made use of to give a definite idea of the manner of the collision. The cross-examination of Capt. Pybus by Mr. Taylor will be taken up this morning at 10:30 o'clock.

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"There is no great flourish of trumpets accompanying the work that is being done," said Mr. Bledsoe, "but I am sure I am quite within the mark to say that there never has been a time in the history of mining work on this coast when there were so many representatives of large capital and prominent mining operators here, looking into the conditions and investigating the values of propositions at various points on the coast. This is all being done in a quiet way, as I have said, and the men who are looking up coast propositions are well posted, better than many of us here, and the information they have is so complete and kept down to date, that it would surprise some people to know that there are mining operators in Chicago and other Eastern centres who have all the very latest information of the progress being made in the properties now being developed here. They have full reports, and these are furnished by their own men, who are here to see, and who are men who can form accurate ideas of values. There are mining men from Montana and other mining district of the United States, who come here to get posted on the advance, and there are capitalists in New York who have their men here also, gaining all the knowledge they can of a definite nature, and looking for the propositions it will pay to take hold of.

"London capitalists are also turning their attention to the Coast more and more, and it is only a short time till there will be rapid movement in many parts. There have been such developments in recent months that a feeling of confidence is being aroused, and the fact that here there is diversity of natural wealth nowhere found in such great profusion and all undeveloped, practically, is an additional attraction. Coal, copper, iron and timber are all commodities which are being sought eagerly for in the industrial world, and all these are possessed in unlimited quantities and of unequalled quality by the Coast districts of this province."

"I look," said Mr. Bledsoe, "to see a great deal of capital come here for the purchase and development of various industrial enterprises, and not the least important developments will be the West Coast of Vancouver Island. For my own part, I am preparing to spend the coming season on a tour of an exploratory nature, and will circumnavigate the entire Island, visiting and examining all parts of its coast carefully, as well as spending some time on the coast of the Mainland. There are several parties to whom I am reporting, and they are by no means confined to mining propositions. A thorough general idea of the whole country and its resources and possibilities is the direct object of the work I will do for them. If, incidentally, there are definite propositions present themselves, they will be considered."

Mr. Bledsoe proceeds to Alberni by the next steamer, and will there form a party and make his arrangements for the summer campaign, which, while it will be of a highly interesting character, involves, nevertheless, an immence amount of hard work, which usually falls to the share of the prospector. From time to time Mr. Bledsoe will be able to give some account of his travels and explorations, and these will be interesting reading, for he can do a fairly good turn with a pen himself.

CHINESE COURT.

Report That They Start Next Month for Pekin.

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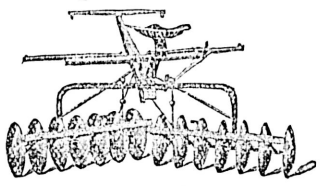

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